

Social Studies- Unit 1 Study Guide

Geography is the study of Earth.

Be able to label the 7 continents and 5 oceans on a blank map.

Citrus fruit grows well in the Caribbean.

Some of Mexico's highest mountains are volcanoes.

Tundra is a treeless plain where only grasses and moss can grow.

The Midwest has four of the five Great Lakes.

The Southeast is perfect for oranges and grapefruit.

The Northeast has leaves that change colors in the fall.

The Southwest has the Grand Canyon.

The West has both the driest and wettest places in the country.

Canada is the largest country on the continent of North America. Canada has very tall jagged mountains in the west and lower, more rounded mountains in the east. The land in the middle has plains and grasslands. There are also many forests, rivers, and lakes. Some of the landforms in Canada are the Great Lakes, Rocky Mountains, and the Great Plains. The climate is great for evergreen trees, mosses, and ferns. Farther north, near the Arctic Ocean is the tundra. Canada has arable land, too. Wheat, barley, and soybeans grow well there during Canada's short summers. Some famous landmarks in Canada are Niagara Falls, the Horseshoe Falls, and the Bay of Fundy.

Mexico has a lot of amazing landmarks. Copper Canyon is located in the Western Sierra Madre mountain range. In the center of Mexico City stands El Angel. This man-made landmark was built to celebrate the country's freedom from Spain. Other man-made landmarks in Mexico include temples and pyramids. These landmarks were built by the Maya, one of Mexico's first people.

*Be able to write a letter to a friend describing Canada. Use details about the climate, landmarks, and sights.

*Be able to write a persuasive paragraph to encourage tourists to visit Mexico. Use details about landmarks they will see.