

AP Seminar/AP Human Geography Combined Summer Assignment*

AP Seminar Reading:

*Think Like a Freak: The Authors
of Freakonomics Offer to Retrain
Your Brain*

By: *Steven D. Levitt & Stephen J.
Dubner*

Alternate Assignment:

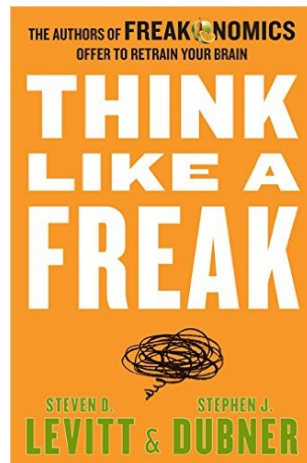
*Plato's Republic
&
Analects of Confucius
(Must read both if doing the
alternate assignment).*

AP Human Geography:

*The Lexus and the Olive Tree:
Understanding Globalization
by Thomas Friedman*

Handout of AP Human
Geography terms (see attached)

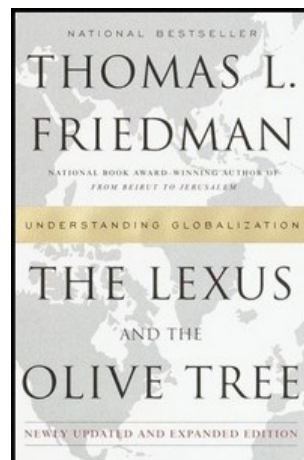
**Books may be purchased at
Barnes and Noble, or Amazon.
You may also check at
McKay's.*



Description: The New York Times bestselling Freakonomics changed the way we see the world, exposing the hidden side of just about everything.

Now, with *Think Like a Freak*, Steven D. Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner have written their most revolutionary book yet. With their trademark blend of captivating storytelling and unconventional analysis, they take us inside their thought process and offer a blueprint for an entirely new way to solve problems. The topics range from business to philanthropy to sports to politics, all with the goal of retraining your brain. Along the way, you'll learn the secrets of a Japanese hot-dog-eating champion, the reason an Australian doctor swallowed a batch of dangerous bacteria, and why Nigerian e-mail scammers make a point of saying they're from Nigeria.

Levitt and Dubner plainly see the world like no one else. Now you can too. Never before have such iconoclastic thinkers been so revealing—and so much fun to read.



Description: As foreign affairs columnist for *The New York Times*, Thomas L. Friedman crisscrosses the globe talking with the world's economic and political leaders, and reporting, as only he can, on what he sees. Now he has used his years of experience as a reporter and columnist to produce a pithy, trenchant, riveting look at the worldwide market forces that are driving today's economies and how they are playing out both internationally and locally.

Globalization is the technologically driven expression of free-market capitalism, and as such is essentially an American creation. It has irrevocably changed the way business is done and has raised living standards throughout the world. But powerful local forces—of religion, race, ethnicity, and cultural identity—are in competition with technology for the hearts and minds of their societies. Finding the proper balance between the Lexus and the olive tree is the great game of globalization—and the ultimate theme of Friedman's challenging, provocative book, essential reading for all who care about how the world really works.

AP Human Geography Basic Background Knowledge List

Part of entering an AP class is an assumption of a certain level of background knowledge and skills. Please review and be prepared to take an assessment the first two weeks of school in the fall relating to this list. The assessment will be mastery based which means you can take the assessment multiple times but must attain 80% or above to pass. The assessment will be primarily an identifying assessment – do not worry about spelling. Don't stress out about this, but do some review and familiarize yourself with this information. Think of this knowledge as the ABC's and 1,2,3's of Geography 101.

Assignment # 1 Basic Map and Atlas Skills:

- Using an atlas to locate information
- Reading and interpreting a map
- Using latitude and longitude to locate and find places

Be able to locate on a map the following items:

General Stuff <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 5 Oceans <input type="checkbox"/> 7 continents <input type="checkbox"/> Equator <input type="checkbox"/> Tropic of Cancer <input type="checkbox"/> Tropic of Capricorn 	Major Mountain Ranges <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Himalayas <input type="checkbox"/> Rockies <input type="checkbox"/> Andes <input type="checkbox"/> Alps <input type="checkbox"/> Caucasus <input type="checkbox"/> Urals <input type="checkbox"/> Appalachian 	Major Rivers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Rhine <input type="checkbox"/> Amazon <input type="checkbox"/> Yangtze <input type="checkbox"/> Mississippi <input type="checkbox"/> Ganges <input type="checkbox"/> Nile <input type="checkbox"/> Congo
Major Deserts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Sahara <input type="checkbox"/> Great Sandy Desert <input type="checkbox"/> Australia <input type="checkbox"/> Gobi <input type="checkbox"/> Siberia 	Major Climate Regions- which parts of the world fit each category <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Tropical <input type="checkbox"/> Dry <input type="checkbox"/> Mild <input type="checkbox"/> Continental <input type="checkbox"/> Polar 	Major Bodies of Water <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Great Lakes <input type="checkbox"/> Mediterranean Sea <input type="checkbox"/> Black Sea <input type="checkbox"/> Caspian Sea <input type="checkbox"/> Red Sea <input type="checkbox"/> Arabian Sea <input type="checkbox"/> South China Sea <input type="checkbox"/> Caribbean Sea <input type="checkbox"/> Aral Sea
Chokepoints (Straits and Channels) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Strait of Gibraltar <input type="checkbox"/> Panama Canal <input type="checkbox"/> Suez Canal <input type="checkbox"/> Strait of Malacca <input type="checkbox"/> English Channel <input type="checkbox"/> Bosphorus & Dardanelles <input type="checkbox"/> Strait of Hormuz 	Major World Cities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> New York City <input type="checkbox"/> London <input type="checkbox"/> Tokyo <input type="checkbox"/> Paris <input type="checkbox"/> Cairo <input type="checkbox"/> Sydney <input type="checkbox"/> Sao Paulo <input type="checkbox"/> Johannesburg <input type="checkbox"/> Moscow <input type="checkbox"/> Hong Kong 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Chicago <input type="checkbox"/> Beijing <input type="checkbox"/> Bombay (Mumbai) <input type="checkbox"/> Mexico City <input type="checkbox"/> Tehran <input type="checkbox"/> Washington D.C. <input type="checkbox"/> Lagos <input type="checkbox"/> Calcutta <input type="checkbox"/> Toronto <input type="checkbox"/> Singapore
Canadian Provinces <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> British Columbia <input type="checkbox"/> Yukon Territory <input type="checkbox"/> Alberta <input type="checkbox"/> Saskatchewan <input type="checkbox"/> Northwest Territories <input type="checkbox"/> Manitoba <input type="checkbox"/> Quebec <input type="checkbox"/> New Brunswick <input type="checkbox"/> Nova Scotia <input type="checkbox"/> Newfoundland and Labrador <input type="checkbox"/> Nunavut <input type="checkbox"/> Ontario 	Development and Culture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Have some sense of development levels of regions? <input type="checkbox"/> Highly Developed <input type="checkbox"/> Developing <input type="checkbox"/> Lesser Developed <input type="checkbox"/> Know some cultural characteristics of regions – major religions, languages, ethnicities etc 	Major World Regions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Middle East <input type="checkbox"/> South East Asia <input type="checkbox"/> South Asia <input type="checkbox"/> Sub-Saharan Africa <input type="checkbox"/> Sahel Africa <input type="checkbox"/> Latin America <input type="checkbox"/> Central America <input type="checkbox"/> Caribbean <input type="checkbox"/> Western Europe <input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Europe <input type="checkbox"/> Former USSR <input type="checkbox"/> Oceania

Country identification – you need to be able to identify where these countries are on a map.

<p>Africa</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> South Africa <input type="checkbox"/> Madagascar <input type="checkbox"/> Sudan <input type="checkbox"/> Niger <input type="checkbox"/> Algeria <input type="checkbox"/> Nigeria <input type="checkbox"/> Somalia <input type="checkbox"/> Morocco <input type="checkbox"/> Libya <input type="checkbox"/> Egypt <input type="checkbox"/> Kenya <input type="checkbox"/> Chad <input type="checkbox"/> Mali <input type="checkbox"/> Congo/Zaire <input type="checkbox"/> Rwanda <input type="checkbox"/> Botswana <input type="checkbox"/> Ethiopia <input type="checkbox"/> Zimbabwe 	<p>North America & South America</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> United States <input type="checkbox"/> Argentina <input type="checkbox"/> Guatemala <input type="checkbox"/> Bolivia <input type="checkbox"/> Cuba <input type="checkbox"/> Brazil <input type="checkbox"/> Haiti <input type="checkbox"/> Chile <input type="checkbox"/> Honduras <input type="checkbox"/> Colombia <input type="checkbox"/> Costa Rica <input type="checkbox"/> Ecuador <input type="checkbox"/> Bahamas <input type="checkbox"/> Peru <input type="checkbox"/> Panama <input type="checkbox"/> Venezuela <input type="checkbox"/> Nicaragua <input type="checkbox"/> El Salvador <input type="checkbox"/> Canada <input type="checkbox"/> Mexico 	<p>Asia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnam <input type="checkbox"/> Thailand <input type="checkbox"/> Japan <input type="checkbox"/> India <input type="checkbox"/> Singapore <input type="checkbox"/> Burma <input type="checkbox"/> Mongolia <input type="checkbox"/> China <input type="checkbox"/> Cambodia <input type="checkbox"/> Indonesia <input type="checkbox"/> South Korea <input type="checkbox"/> Philippines <p>Other:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Australia <input type="checkbox"/> New Zealand
<p>Europe</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Ireland <input type="checkbox"/> Russia <input type="checkbox"/> Sweden <input type="checkbox"/> Greece <input type="checkbox"/> Romania <input type="checkbox"/> Slovakia <input type="checkbox"/> Czech Republic <input type="checkbox"/> Norway <input type="checkbox"/> Spain <input type="checkbox"/> Croatia <input type="checkbox"/> Yugoslavia (EX) <input type="checkbox"/> Germany <input type="checkbox"/> France <input type="checkbox"/> United Kingdom <input type="checkbox"/> Italy <input type="checkbox"/> Poland <input type="checkbox"/> Finland <input type="checkbox"/> Bosnia 	<p>Southwest Asia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Kuwait <input type="checkbox"/> Syria <input type="checkbox"/> Iraq <input type="checkbox"/> Lebanon <input type="checkbox"/> Saudi Arabia <input type="checkbox"/> Israel <input type="checkbox"/> Iran <input type="checkbox"/> Jordan <input type="checkbox"/> Turkey <input type="checkbox"/> Afghanistan <p>All 50 US States and Regions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Northeast <input type="checkbox"/> Southeast <input type="checkbox"/> Midwest <input type="checkbox"/> Southwest <input type="checkbox"/> Rocky Mountain <input type="checkbox"/> Pacific West 	<p>Below is a list of online resources to help you on this quest.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. http://www.maps.com/FunFacts.aspx?nav=FF 2. http://www.lizardpoint.com/fun/geoquiz 3. http://www.collegeboard.com/student/index.html?student 4. http://www.theodora.com/maps/new9/world_climate_map-large.jpg 5. http://www.nvtc.gov/lotw/languageList.html 6. https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/index.html