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SHORT ANSWER. Write the word or phrase that best completes each statement or answers the question.

1) As the GDP per capita increases, the crude birth rate generally ________.

2) As the GDP per capita increases, the crude death rate generally ________.

3) As the GDP per capita increases, the natural increase rate generally ________.

4) The portion of the earth’s surface occupied by permanent human settlement is called the ________.

5) What are the four types of land that lie outside the ecumene?

6) Explain why today’s more developed societies moved from Stage 1 to Stage 2 of the demographic transition.

7) Explain why today’s more developed societies moved in the past from Stage 2 to Stage 3 of the demographic transition.

8) Explain why some of today’s more developed societies have recently moved from Stage 3 to Stage 4 of the demographic transition.

9) Explain why today’s less developed societies moved from Stage 1 to Stage 2 of the demographic transition.

10) How do geographers define the concept of overpopulation?

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11) Explain the controversy about spatial analysis and the census.

12) Why does Mexico have a lower CDR than the United States and why does Vietnam have a lower CDR than Sweden?

13) Summarize the main stages of the demographic transition and the reasons why a society moves from one stage to another.

14) Compare the birth control policies in India and China.

15) Debate alternate solutions to the world population growth problem.

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16) List the three types of migration push and pull factors.
17) Which of the three migration factors has been the most important pull factor for immigration to the United States?  
18) Name one of the two countries which sent 75 percent of all immigrants to the United States during the 1840s.  
19) After 1900, from what part of Europe did ninety percent of the immigration to the United States come?  
20) During the 1980s, which country provided the largest number of LEGAL immigrants to the United States?  
21) During the 1980s, what country provided the largest number of ILLEGAL immigrants to the United States?  
22) Migration to the United States declined in the 1920s as a result of new laws. What did these laws do?  
23) Several million people have migrated to the United States illegally in recent years. Why have most of these people come to the United States?  
24) Briefly describe the distinguishing characteristic of urbanization.  
25) Describe suburbanization in more developed countries.  

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26) Why has the major source of immigrants to the United States changed over time?  
27) Describe changes in the movement of the U.S. center of population and reasons for those changes.  
28) List the major push and pull factors in migration and give examples of each.  
29) Describe the major intraregional and interregional migration patterns within the United States in recent years.  
30) Describe the similarities and differences between illegal immigrants to the United States and guest workers in Europe.  

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31) What is the difference between a custom and a habit?  
32) Name three of the six countries in which television technology originally developed.  
33) Which country would have a higher per capita consumption of pork, India or China? Why?  
34) The house type in the eastern United States which diffused most widely into the interior of the country was _______.  

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35) Which of these countries would you expect to have the highest wine production per capita, France, Chile, or Brazil? Which of the three would have the lowest?

36) What is one of the major differences in the origin of a popular culture compared to a folk culture?

37) What is one of the major differences in the process of diffusion of popular culture compared to a folk custom?

38) What television technology foils attempts by the governments to restrict television access?

39) Why do promoters of popular customs, such as fast-food restaurants, seek to create a uniform landscape appearance?

40) Why do leaders of some developing countries fear the loss of folk culture?

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41) Discuss television as both an example and a means for diffusing popular culture.

42) In what ways do folk cultures respond differently than popular cultures to variations in the local physical environment?

43) What are some of the negative impacts of the diffusion of popular customs?

44) Discuss the role of transportation and communications in the diffusion of global popular culture.

45) Relate the cultural landscape approach to the origin, diffusion, and distribution of folk and popular culture.

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46) What geographic factor accounts for the fact that both Americans and the British speak English?

47) What geographic factor accounts for the fact that both Americans and the British use different dialects of English?

48) In what country do the Flemings and Walloons live?
   What is the official language in the northern half of that country?
   What is the official language in the southern half of that country?

49) What is the most important language FAMILY in South America?
   What is the most important language BRANCH of that family in South America?
   What are the two most important INDIVIDUAL languages in South America?

50) Name the world’s largest language family (used by half of the world’s population).

51) Name the world’s second largest language family (used by nearly one-fourth of the world’s population).
52) Name the most important language branch in each region of Europe.
   a. northwestern
   b. southwestern
   c. eastern

53) What is the significance of the Kurgans for the study of the geography of languages?

54) In what three ways does the English used in the United States differ from the English used
    in the United Kingdom?

55) What is the primary language family in the Middle East?
    What is the predominant individual language in the Middle East?

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56) In what ways do American and British English differ? What geographic factors explain the similarities and differences in American and British English?

57) How do we know that all Indo-European languages have a common ancestor?

58) Why do people in different regions of the United States speak English differently?

59) What are the future prospects for different groups of non-English speakers in North America?

60) Discuss the increasing role of English as the world’s lingua franca.

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61) Describe the main difference in the most important holidays between a universalizing and an ethnic religion.

62) What is the world’s largest ethnic religion? In what country do 99 percent of the adherents of this religion live?

63) What major universalizing religion originated in present-day India?

64) Most Europeans adhere to which of the three major universalizing religions?
    Which is the most important branch of this religion in the following regions of Europe?
    a. northwestern
    b. southwestern
    c. eastern

65) Name the two main branches of Islam.

66) Which branch of Islam is the largest in Iran and Lebanon?
67) Match the religion to the region of the United States:

   _______ Baptist  a. Arizona
   _______ Roman Catholic  b. Utah
   _______ Lutheran  c. Alabama
   _______ Mormon  d. Minnesota

68) Wars were fought in 1948, 1956, 1967, and 1973 in the land once known as Palestine. What country won all four of these wars?
   What three countries fought against this country in all four wars?
   Which one of these three countries signed a peace treaty with the first country named?

69) Most people in the Republic of Ireland are adherents of which branch of Christianity?
   A slight majority of people in Northern Ireland are adherents of which branch of Christianity?

70) Name the four religions dominant in East Asia.
   How is religious adherence different in East Asia than in the United States?

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71) Compare the impact of Christianity and Islam on the landscape.

72) In what ways is Judaism an ethnic religion?

73) How do different religions incorporate natural features into their cosmogony?

74) How has religion been a source of territorial conflict among people?

75) How has the concept of pilgrimage changed in the modern world?

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76) Why were 17 million people forced to migrate in South Asia in the late 1940s?

77) Asian Americans are clustered in ________________.
   African Americans are clustered in ________________.
   Alaska Natives are clustered in ________________.
   Hispanics/Latinos are clustered in ________________.
   Native Americans are clustered in ________________.

78) Match the group with its percent of the American population:

   _______ African American  a. 1
   _______ Asian American  b. 4
   _______ Native American  c. 12

79) Russia fought to prevent Chechnya from gaining independence because ________.
Cultural self-identification in the United States includes:

a. 

b. 

c. 

d. 

81) Slavery is a kind of _______ migration.

82) South Africa enacted legal segregation called _______. Blacks were supposed to declare citizenship in a _______ and move there. In 1991 the legal system was changed and _______ was elected president.

83) The United Kingdom includes four prominent groups:

a. 

b. 

c. 

d. 

Collectively their nationality is _______.

84) Why is a nation-state the most stable state?

85) The problems of Ireland result from the fact that the boundaries of nations and states don't match. What are the names of the two states on the island?

86) After the 1967 war in the area formerly known as Palestine, the winner of that war captured four pieces of territory from its neighbors. Indicate the name of each territory and the country from which the land was captured:

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87) Describe the geographical implications of South Africa's "apartheid" laws.

88) What is the difference between a nation and a state? Define the elements of a nation-state.

89) Explain why ethnicity will continue to contribute to local diversity even as other cultural elements become globalized.

90) Describe the ethnic conflicts that came after the breakup of Yugoslavia.

91) Sri Lanka has conflict between its two main groups of people. Describe the two groups and the major difficulties which contribute to the unrest.
92) Which of the three types of migration factors has been the most important push factor for emigration from Afghanistan during the 1980s?

93) Why are many countries moving from unitary to federal or even federation forms of government?

94) Name a country with more than one million inhabitants that is not a member of the United Nations.

95) From what two European countries did most of South Africa’s whites emigrate?

96) Name the four countries that were part of Yugoslavia until the early 1990s.

97) What unique transportation problem do landlocked states face if they wish to export their raw materials overseas?

98) In what way does Zimbabwe face a different transportation problem than other landlocked states of southern Africa?

99) Since the nineteenth century, the goal of world political leaders has been to establish the boundaries of states according to what principle?

100) What are the two main nationalities on the island of Cyprus?

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101) Discuss the evolution of the modern concept of the state.

102) What are the major types of physical and cultural boundaries, and what conflicts can occur between states because of the manner in which boundaries are drawn?

103) What geographic elements contributed to the development of the United States and Soviet Union, Russia as superpowers, and what geographic elements contribute to the weakness of these two countries?

104) List the five groups of the 15 newly independent states that were once republics of the Soviet Union. Briefly describe the political, national, and ethnic conditions of each group of countries.

105) Describe how the U.S.-led war in Iraq has demonstrated the importance of understanding conditions at scales that exist between the two extremes of global and local.