



World Geography
Unit 1 – Introduction to World Geography
Five Themes of Geography
Research Handout

Directions: Choose a country anywhere in the world; study and research a little bit about that country. For each of the five themes of geography, explain what it means in the first box and list three facts about the country you chose in the second box.

Country I Choose: Charlotte, North Carolina

<p>Location <i>What does it mean?</i></p> <p>Where is Charlotte located? Absolute location: Relative Location:</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Charlotte's coordinates are 35°N80°W2. Charlotte is to the north of Rock Hill and Fort Mill; west of Albemarle; east of Belmont and south of Concord3. It is 1.5 hours away from the capital of North Carolina -Raleigh
<p>Place <i>What does it mean?</i></p> <p>What does Charlotte look like: physical and human features?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Charlotte is in the flat lands with mild to hot climate.2. The population of the metropolitan area Charlotte with the surrounding towns is close to 2 million.3. High rises, lots of neighborhoods, parks, lakes, creeks, river, highways

<p>Human Environment Interaction <i>What does it mean?</i></p> <p>How do people interact and change the environment in Charlotte? How does the area of Charlotte affect and make people change?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The city has 199 big and small neighborhoods: Dilworth, Noda, Southend City center with tall buildings. 2. People have created roads, highways, parks, stadiums, walkways, stores etc. 3. People have gardens and enjoy four mild and easy seasons.
<p>Movement <i>What does it mean?</i></p> <p>How do people, goods and ideas move around, out off and in Charlotte?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Charlotte has a big airport and is the hub of US Airways. 2. Interstates like I77 and I 85 allow cars, trucks, vans to travel in and out of Charlotte 3. Charlotte is the second biggest financial center in America. Money and information travels trough the city on a daily basis.
<p>Regions <i>What does it mean?</i></p> <p>How is Charlotte different and similar to the rest of North Carolina, USA, North America?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Charlotte is part of the Piedmont valley in North Carolina: farmland, grasslands 2. Charlotte has a very diverse population that grows by 4000 people every month. 3. Charlotte is a part of the South East region in USA by linguistics, cultures, food preferences, history.