

AP Human
Geography
Essential
Vocabulary

Unit I: Geography – Its Nature and Perspectives

| Cultural landscape | Sequent occupance | Physiological density | Hearth |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Diffusion | Distribution | Environmental determinism | Transnational Corporation |
| Site | Situation | Space Time Compression | Distance Decay |
| Space | Scale | Formal Region | Functional Region- |
| Vernacular Region | Possibilism | | |

Unit II: Population – Migration & Dispersion

| Carry Capacity | Demographic Transition Model: | Dependency Ratio | Doubling Time | Ecumene |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Brain Drain | Brain Gain | Epidemiological transition model | Infant mortality rate | Malthus, Thomas |
| Crude Birth Rate | Neo-Malthusian | Population densities | Agricultural density | Population distributions |
| Population pyramid | Rate of Natural Increase | Sex Ratio | Zero Population Growth | Chain Migration |
| Forced Migration | Gravity Model | Migration | Immigration | Emigration |
| Push-Pull Factors | | | | |

Unit III: Cultural Patterns & Processes

| Cultural core/ periphery pattern | Cultural Ecology | Culture | Popular Culture | Folk Culture |
|---|-------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Dialect | Lingua Franca | Religion | Animism | Buddhism |
| Christianity | Ethnic Religion | Hinduism | Islam | Judaism |
| Monotheism | Polytheism | Universalizing Religion | Religious Conflict | |

Unit IV: Political Organization of Space

| Apartheid | Balkanization | Boundary type | More Developed Country (MDC) | Less Developed Country (LDC) |
|---|--------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Newly Industrialized Country (NIC) | Centrifugal | Centripetal | City-state | Colonialism |
| Devolution | Electoral regions | Ethnic conflict | European Union | Forward capital |
| Frontier | Geopolitics | Gerrymander | Heartland | Rimland |

Unit V: Agricultural & Rural Land Use

| Agribusiness | Agriculture | Biotechnology | Commercial Agriculture (intensive, extensive) | Crop Rotation |
|---------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| Economic activity | secondary | primary | tertiary | quaternary |
| quinary | Extensive subsistence agriculture | shifting | cultivation | nomadic |
| herding/ pastoralism | First agricultural revolution | Second Agricultural Revolution | Green Revolution | Intensive Subsistence Agriculture |
| Renewable | Non-Renewable | Carl O. Sauer | Transhumance | Von Thunen |

Unit VI: Industrialization & Development

| Core-periphery model | Dependency theory | Development | Gender | Gross Domestic Product |
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| Gross National Product | Human Development Index | Measures of Development | Purchasing Power Parity | World Systems Theory |
| Bid Rent Theory | Assembly Line Production / Fordism | Agglomeration Economies | Stages of Growth Model | Walter W. Rostow |

Unit VII: Cities and Urban Land Use

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| Central Business District (CBD) | Centrality | Walter Christaller | City | Concentric Zone Model |
| Counterurbanization | Edge City | Primate City Rule | Rank Size Rule | Emerging Cities |
| Ethnic Enclave | Favela | Gateway City | Gentrification | Ghetto |
| Globalization | | | | |