## Reading Questions and Vocabulary

# Unit 7: Political Geography Fouberg: Chapter 8

### **READING QUESTIONS**

Write a minimum of one paragraph explanation/answer to each of the following questions. Your answer should include key human geography terms and fully explain the concept. **Write the question and the response in your five subject unit notebook.** 

Chapter 8	
QUESTIONS	
1. Define state and nation. Discuss the historic events (ex. Peace of Westphalia) that led to development of the modern European state and nation-state model. Why have most other countries followed the same model as Europe.	
2. What role did European colonization play in the establishment of today's states? Explain consequences of this colonialism on the contemporary political map and use Figure 8.8 in your discussion. What does figure 8.2 tell you about other effects of colonialism.	
3. Explain why economic success and political power are closely linked. Define capitalism and explain the concept of a globalized economic order. Give examples from Figure 8.10 of this economic order of the World Economy.	
4. Define and explain unitary government and give example. Define and explain the federal system and give examples. Explain how a federal system accommodates regional interests, and explain how United States fits into this concept. How does electoral geography, such as gerrymandering, fit into a federal system of government?	
5.Define devolution and explain economic devolutionary forces (use specific examples in your explanation). Give historical examples from the textbook of devolutionary forces in actions.	
6.Explain the vertical plane of a political boundary. List the advantages and disadvantages of the different types of boundaries <b>along with real-world examples</b> : Natural-political boundaries and Geometric boundaries. Give some examples of different types of boundary disputes.	
7. What is a Supranational organization? What are the benefits of being apart of a	
<ul> <li>Summarize the history of the United Nations (UN). What is the mission of the UN?         Identify and discuss THREE global issues of current importance to the UN ( use this website to find these issues: <a href="http://www.un.org/en/sections/issues-depth/global-issues-overview/">http://www.un.org/en/sections/issues-depth/global-issues-overview/</a>)     </li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Describe the European Union. What are the benefits/potential problems associated with being a part of this supranational organization?</li> </ul>	
8.CURRENT EVENT: Locate a current events article (occurring within the past year) from a newspaper, news site (ex. NPR or BBC), or news magazine that relates to political geography. CITE your source by telling me the name of the article, source of the article, and when it was written. The event must be outside the United States. You will write two paragraphs:  • Paragraph one (4-6 Sentences) will explain the event – the who, what, where, why and when.	
• Paragraph two (4-6 Sentences) will draw connections between the event and FIVE Terms from Unit 7.	

#### Political Geography VOCAB - CHAPTER 8

Unit 7- Political Geography

FOUBERG, Chapter 8

**Allocational Boundary Disputes** 

Annexation

Balkanization

Berlin Conference

#### **Boundary Origin:**

- Antecedent
- Subsequent
- Superimposed
- Relict

#### **Boundary Type:**

- Natural/physical boundaries
- Ethnographic/cultural boundaries
- Geometric boundaries

**Buffer State** 

Capital

Capitalism

Centrifugal

Centripedal

City-State

Colonialism

Commodification

Compact States

Confederation

Core

**Critical Geopolitics** 

Definitional (boundaries)

**Definitional Boundary Disputes** 

Delimitation

Demarcation

**Dependency Theory** 

Democracy

**Territorial Morphology** 

**Territorial Representation** 

Treaty ports

UNCLOS (UN convention on the law of the sea)

Unilateralism

**Stateless Nations** 

Sovereignty

**Supranational Organization Territoriality** 

**Territorial Integrity** 

Unitary

Deterritorialization

Devolution

**Domino Theory** 

**Electoral regions** 

**Elongated States** 

Ethnonationalism

European Union

Federal Forward Capital

Fragmented States

**Frontiers** 

Geopolitics

Global commons

Gerrymandering

**Heartland Theory** 

**Imperialism** 

Irredentism

Iron curtain

Israel/Palestine conflict

Landlocked States

Law of the Sea

**Locational Boundary Disputes** 

**Majority-Minority Districts** 

Median Line Principle

Mercantilism

Microstate

**Multinational State** 

**Multistate Nation** 

Nation

Nation-State

Neocolonialism

**Operational Boundary Disputes** 

Peace of Westphalia

**Perforated States** 

Periphery

Physical-Political Boundary

**Prorupt States** 

Political Geography

Ratzel's Organic Theory

Reapportionment

Reterritorialization

**Rimland Theory** 

Satellite States

Self-determination

Semiperiphery

Shatterbelts

State

