



# Switched-On

SCHOOLHOUSE® 2012 EDITION

## Curriculum Catalog

### World Geography

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### Course Overview

World Geography takes students on a journey around the world in which they will learn about the physical and human geography of various regions. They will study the history of each region and examine the political, economic, and cultural characteristics of the world in which we live. Students will also learn about the tools and technologies of geography such as globes, maps, charts, and global information systems.

**Upon completion of the course, students should be able to do the following:**

- Select and use geographic tools to get information and make predictions.
- Compare places based upon their similarities and differences.
- Identify geographic factors that influenced historic events.
- Evaluate the interrelatedness and interdependence of physical and human systems and their impact on our earth.
- Analyze the role played by culture in the spatial organization of the earth.
- Define the key geographic concerns facing the world and strategize methods to deal with these issues in the future.

Students will also gain practice in writing and note-taking. They will be asked to create graphic organizers, conduct research, analyze information, and write essays on topics such as current events, energy resources, national parks, and more.

### Additional Resources

In addition to the default course program, World Geography includes alternate projects and tests for use in enhancing instruction or addressing individual needs.

<b>UNIT 1: INTRODUCTION TO GEOGRAPHY</b>	
<b>Assignment Titles</b>	
1. Course Overview	13. Physical Processes: The Atmosphere and the Hydrosphere
2. What Is Geography?	14.. Physical Processes: The Lithosphere and the Biosphere
3. Project: Note It!	15. Ecosystems
4. Geographic Tools: Globes and Maps	16. Project: Map It!
5. Geographic Tools: Graphs, Charts, and More	17. Quiz 3: Our Earth
6. Quiz 1: Introduction to Geography	18. Special Project
7. Geographic Themes: Location and Place	19. Review
8. Geographic Themes: Human-Environmental Interaction and Movement	20. Test
9. Geographic Themes: Regions	21. Alternate Test
10. Project: Summarize It!	22. Glossary and Credits
11. Quiz 2: Geographic Themes	
12. Physical Characteristics	

<b>UNIT 2: HUMAN GEOGRAPHY</b>	
<b>Assignment Titles</b>	
1. Where People Live	10. Historical Perspectives
2. Settlement and Movement	11. Project: Analyze It!
3. Quiz 1: Where We Live	12. Quiz 3: Interactions
4. Cultural Mosaics	13. Special Project
5. Economics	14. Review
6. Conflict and Cooperation	15. Test
7. Quiz 2: Why Do People Live Where They Do?	16. Alternate Test
8. Humans and Their Environment—Part 1	17. Glossary and Credits
9. Humans and Their Environment—Part 2	

**UNIT 3: NORTH AMERICA**
**Assignment Titles**

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|---|-------------------------------|
| 1. North America in Spatial Terms                 | 11. Environment and Society   |
| 2. The United States: The Northeast and the South | 12. Historical Perspectives   |
| 3. The United States: The Midwest and the West    | 13. Project: Analyze It!      |
| 4. Canada and Greenland                           | 14. Quiz 3: Uses of Geography |
| 5. Mexico   | 15. Special Project           |
| 6. Quiz 1: Physical Geography                     | 16. Review                    |
| 7. Settlement and Movement                        | 17. Test                      |
| 8. Culture  | 18. Alternate Test            |
| 9. Economics and Politics                         | 19. Glossary and Credits      |
| 10. Quiz 2: Human Geography                       | 20.                           |

**UNIT 4: CENTRAL AMERICA, SOUTH AMERICA, AND THE CARIBBEAN**
**Assignment Titles**

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|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Central America            | 10. Historical Perspectives   |
| 2. South America              | 11. Project: Consider It!     |
| 3. The Caribbean              | 12. Looking Ahead             |
| 4. Quiz 1: Physical Geography | 13. Quiz 3: Uses of Geography |
| 5. Settlement and Movement    | 14. Special Project           |
| 6. Culture                    | 15. Review                    |
| 7. Economics and Politics     | 16. Test                      |
| 8. Quiz 2: Human Geography    | 17. Alternate Test            |
| 9. Environment and Society    | 18. Glossary and Credits      |

**UNIT 5: OCEANIA, AUSTRALASIA, AND ANTARCTICA**
**Assignment Titles**

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| 1. Oceania, Australasia, and Antarctica in Spatial Terms | 10. Environment and Society   |
| 2. Micronesia, Melanesia, and Polynesia                  | 11. Historical Perspectives   |
| 3. Australia and New Zealand                             | 12. Project: Analyze It!      |
| 4. Antarctica  | 13. Quiz 3: Uses of Geography |
| 5. Quiz 1: Physical Geography                            | 14. Special Project           |
| 6. Settlement and Movement                               | 15. Review                    |
| 7. Culture   | 16. Test                      |
| 8. Economics and Politics                                | 17. Alternate Test            |
| 9. Quiz 2: Human Geography                               | 18. Glossary and Credits      |

**UNIT 6: SEMESTER REVIEW AND EXAM**
**Assignment Titles**

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| 1. Review | 3. Alternate Exam—Form A |
| 2. Exam   | 4. Alternate Exam—Form B |

**UNIT 7: WESTERN EUROPE**
**Assignment Titles**

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|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Northern Region            | 10. Environment and Society   |
| 2. Western Central Region     | 11. Historical Perspectives   |
| 3. Southern Region            | 12. Quiz 3: Uses of Geography |
| 4. Quiz 1: Physical Geography | 13. Special Project           |
| 5. Settlement and Movement    | 14. Review                    |
| 6. Culture                    | 15. Test                      |
| 7. Economics and Politics     | 16. Alternate Test            |
| 8. Project: Chart It!         | 17. Glossary and Credits      |
| 9. Quiz 2: Human Geography    |                               |

**UNIT 8: EASTERN EUROPE AND RUSSIA**
**Assignment Titles**

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|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Central Region             | 10. Historical Perspectives   |
| 2. Balkan Region              | 11. Project: Report It!       |
| 3. Eastern Region             | 12. Quiz 3: Uses of Geography |
| 4. Quiz 1: Physical Geography | 13. Special Project           |
| 5. Settlement and Movement    | 14. Review                    |
| 6. Culture                    | 15. Test                      |
| 7. Economics and Politics     | 16. Alternate Test            |
| 8. Quiz 2: Human Geography    | 17. Glossary and Credits      |
| 9. Environment and Society    |                               |

**UNIT 9: SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA**
**Assignment Titles**

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| 1. Sub-Saharan Africa in Spatial Terms | 10. Historical Perspectives   |
| 2. West and Central Africa             | 11. Quiz 3: Uses of Geography |
| 3. East and Southern Africa            | 12. Project: Solve It!        |
| 4. Quiz 1: Physical Geography          | 13. Special Project           |
| 5. Settlement and Movement             | 14. Review                    |
| 6. Culture                             | 15. Test                      |
| 7. Economics and Politics              | 16. Alternate Test            |
| 8. Quiz 2: Human Geography             | 17. Glossary and Credits      |
| 9. Environment and Society             |                               |

**UNIT 10: NORTH AFRICA AND SOUTHWEST ASIA**
**Assignment Titles**

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| 1. North Africa                          | 10. Historical Perspectives   |
| 2. Southwest Asia: The Middle East       | 11. Project: Evaluate It!     |
| 3. Southwest Asia: The Arabian Peninsula | 12. Quiz 3: Uses of Geography |
| 4. Quiz 1: Physical Geography            | 13. Special Project           |
| 5. Settlement and Movement               | 14. Review                    |
| 6. Culture                               | 15. Test                      |
| 7. Economics and Politics                | 16. Alternate Test            |
| 8. Quiz 2: Human Geography               | 17. Glossary and Credits      |
| 9. Environment and Society               |                               |

**UNIT 11: CENTRAL, SOUTH, EAST, and SOUTHEAST ASIA**
**Assignment Titles**

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| 1. Central Asia                                      | 11. Environment: South and Southeast Asia |
| 2. South Asia  | 12. Environment: East Asia                |
| 3. East Asia   | 13. Project: Analyze It!                  |
| 4. Southeast Asia                                    | 14. Quiz 3: Uses of Geography             |
| 5. Quiz 1: Physical Geography                        | 15. Special Project                       |
| 6. Historical Perspectives: South and Southeast Asia | 16. Review                                |
| 7. Historical Perspectives: East Asia                | 17. Test                                  |
| 8. Culture   | 18. Alternate Test                        |
| 9. Quiz 2: Human Geography                           | 19. Glossary and Credits                  |
| 10. Economics and Politics                           |   |

**UNIT 12: SEMESTER REVIEW AND EXAM**
**Assignment Titles**

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| 1. Review | 3. Alternate Exam—Form A |
| 2. Exam   | 4. Alternate Exam—Form B |

**UNIT 13: FINAL EXAM**
**Assignment Titles**

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|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Review                | 3. Alternate Exam—Form B |
| 2. Alternate Exam—Form A |                          |