



SOCIAL STUDIES PROJECT

GUNS, GERMS, & STEEL

6TH YEAR ~ CYCLE 2

TEAM MEMBERS:

DUE	OBJECTIVE	5	4	3	2	1
Week 1	Average Global Precipitation & Global Biome Research					
Week 2	Region Research: Africa & Europe					
Week 3	Region Research: Asia & Australia					
Week 4	Region Research: North America & South America					
Week 5	PART 1: Questions & Answers					
Week 6	PART 2: Questions & Answers					
Week 7	PART 3: Questions & Answers					
Week 8	“The Big Picture” (slideshow or poster project)					
TOTALS x 2 =						

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(10) Evaluating Others ___/10	(10) Evaluating Others ___/10	(10) Evaluating Others ___/10	(10) Evaluating Others ___/10
GRAND TOTAL: ___/100	GRAND TOTAL: ___/100	GRAND TOTAL: ___/100	GRAND TOTAL: ___/100

5 = OUTSTANDING

4 = VERY WELL DONE

3 = ACCEPTABLE

2 = BELOW AVERAGE

1 = UNACCEPTABLE

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- 2) SELECT THE "SOCIAL STUDIES" PAGE
- 3) FIND THE LINK FOR THIS LEVEL
- 4) NEATLY LABEL AND COLOR THE MAP
- 5) COMPLETE THE 3 QUESTIONS BELOW
- 6) GO ON TO GLOBAL BIOMES

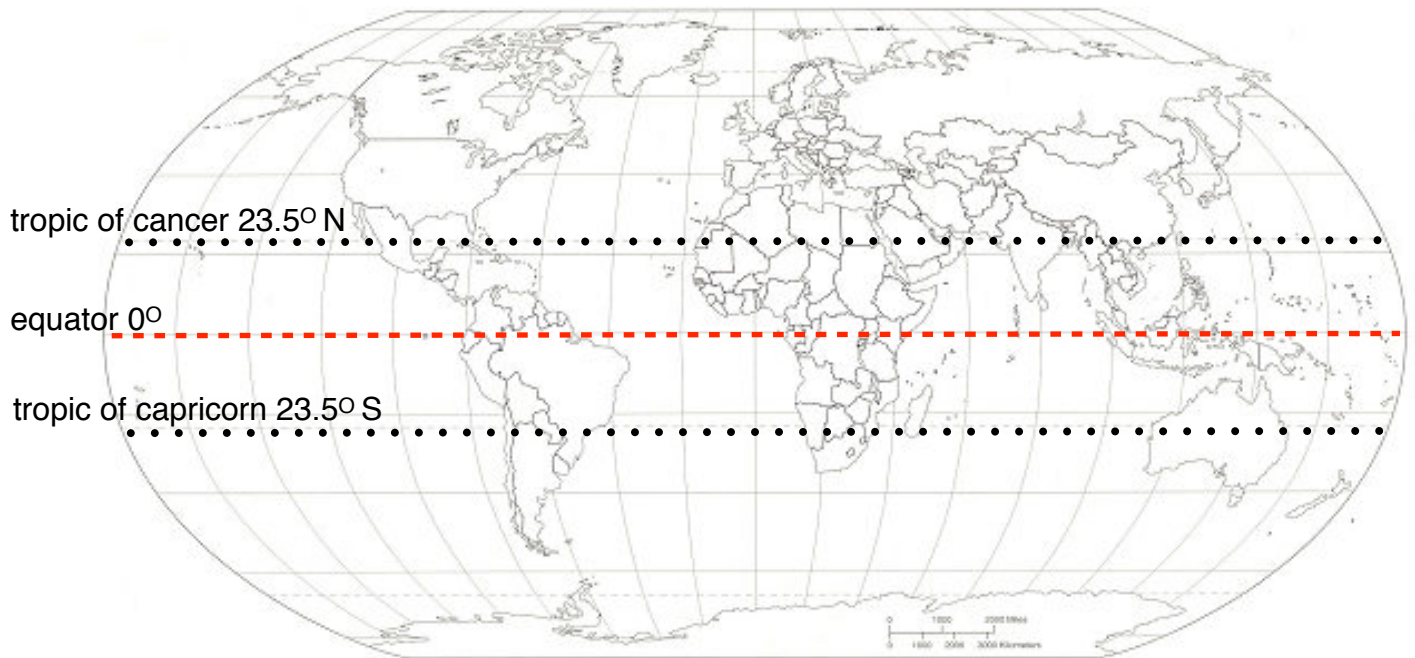


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AVERAGE GLOBAL PRECIPITATION

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1) What is precipitation?

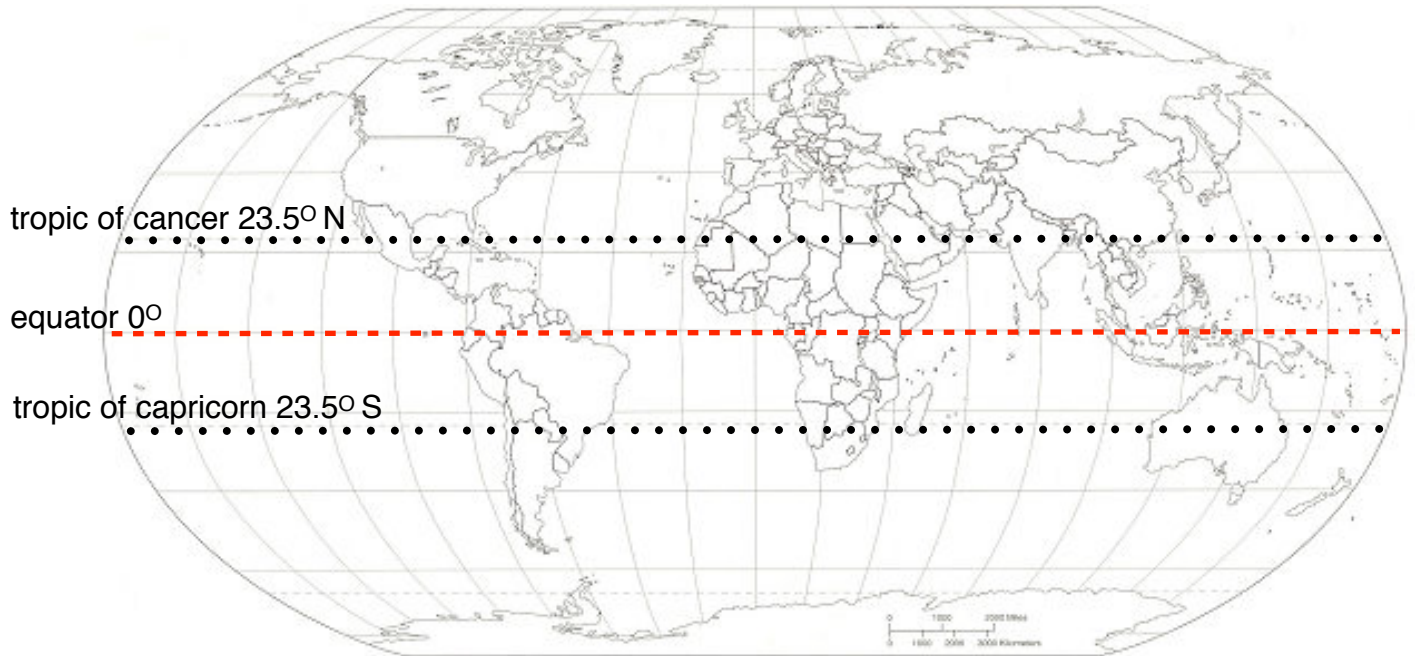
2) Examples of Precipitation:

3) Conclusions based on diagram above:

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GLOBAL BIOMES



Alpine	Tropical Forest	Tropical Grassland	Desert/ Aridland	Temperate Grassland	Temperate Forest	Coniferous Forest	Tundra	Marine

1) What is a biome?

2) Which biome do you live in?

3) Conclusions based on diagram above:

- 1) NEATLY COLOR THE CONTINENT
- 2) UTILIZE OUR CLASS WEBSITE
- 3) UTILIZE CLASS ENCYCLOPEDIA
- 4) RESEARCH THE QUESTIONS BELOW
- 5) ANSWER IN COMPLETE SENTENCES
- 6) GO ON TO EUROPE

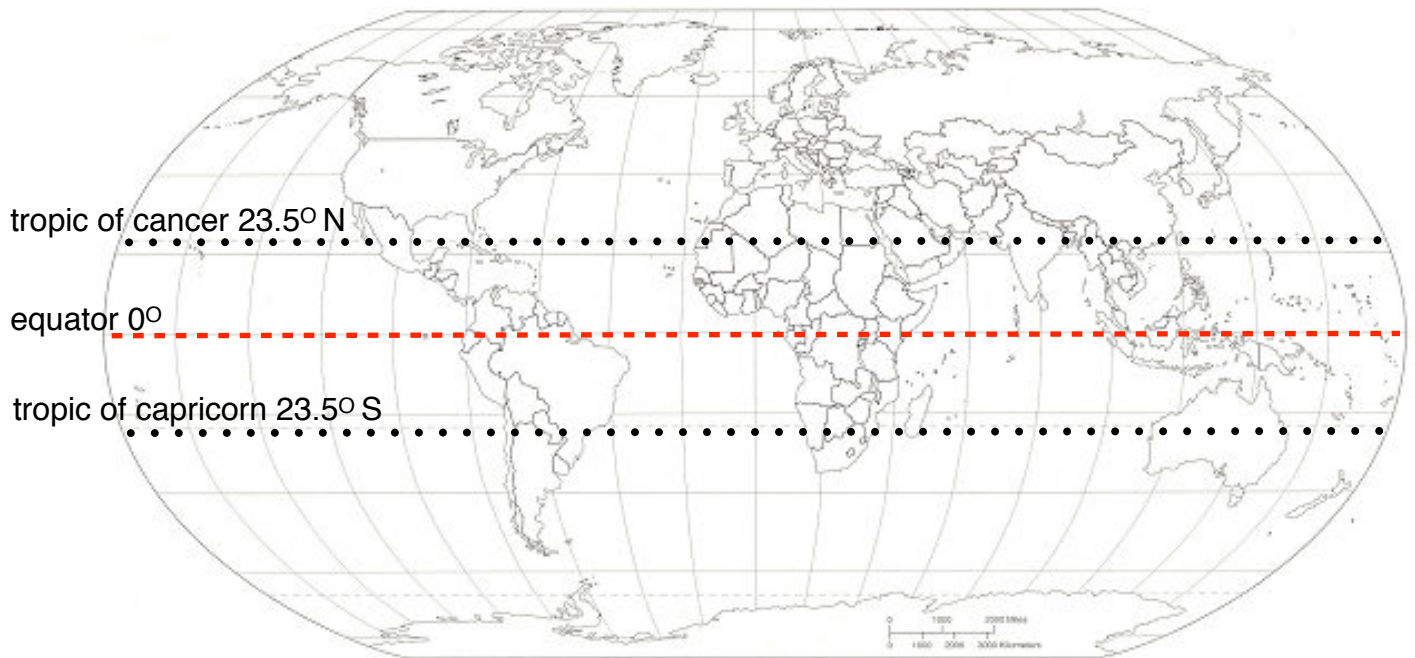


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REGIONS: AFRICA

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- 1) Neatly color the continent: Africa
- 2) How much of this continent is located between the tropics?
 none very little about half more than half
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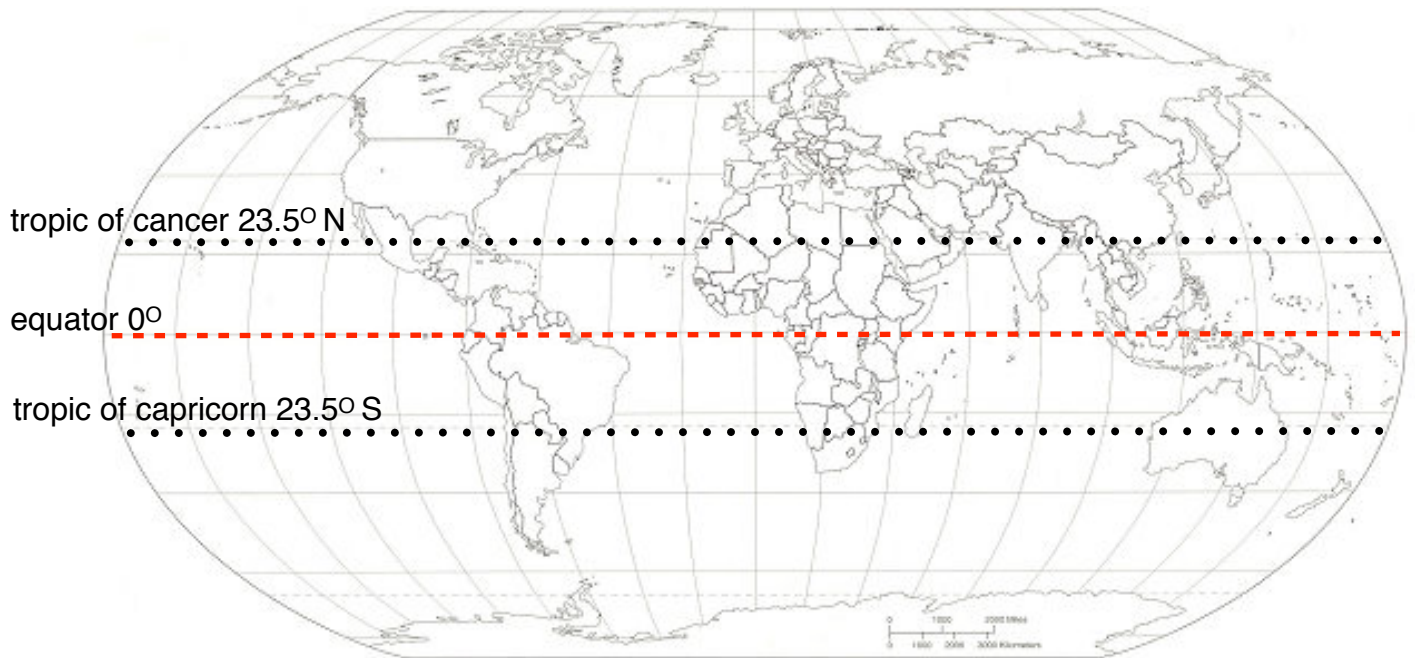


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REGIONS: EUROPE

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- 1) Neatly color the continent: Europe
- 2) How much of this continent is located between the tropics?
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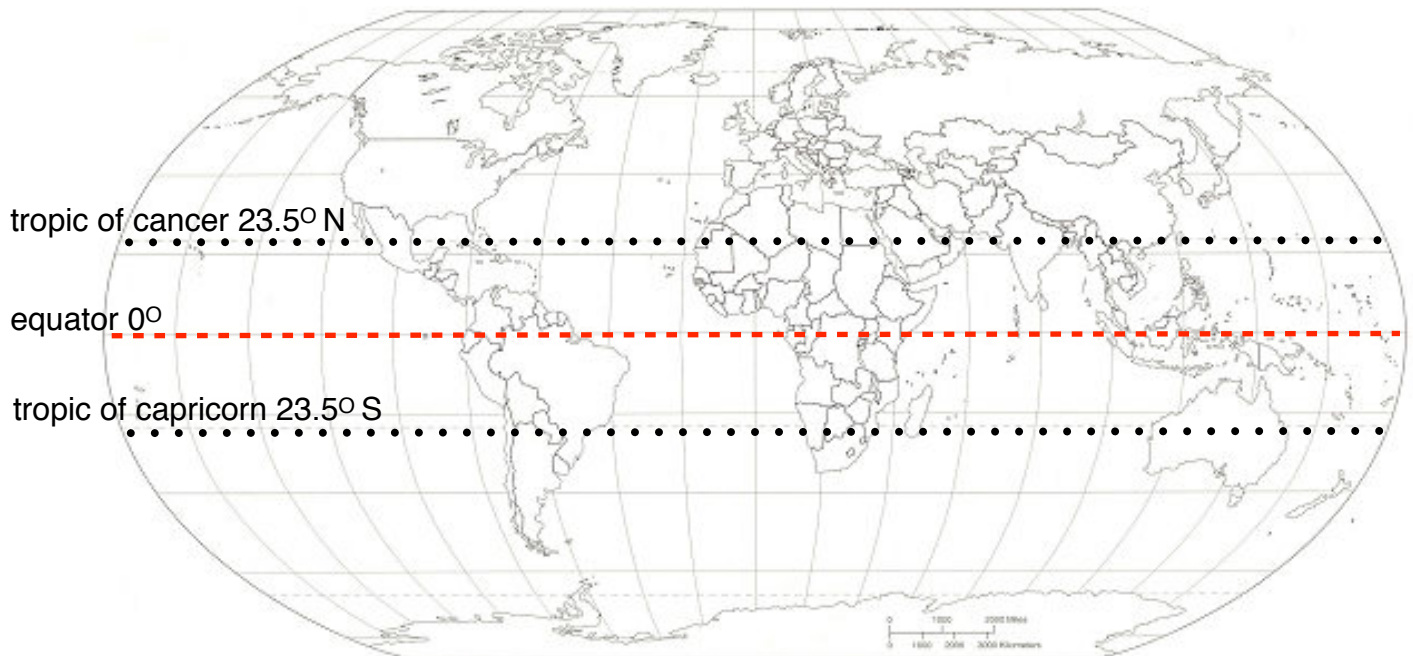


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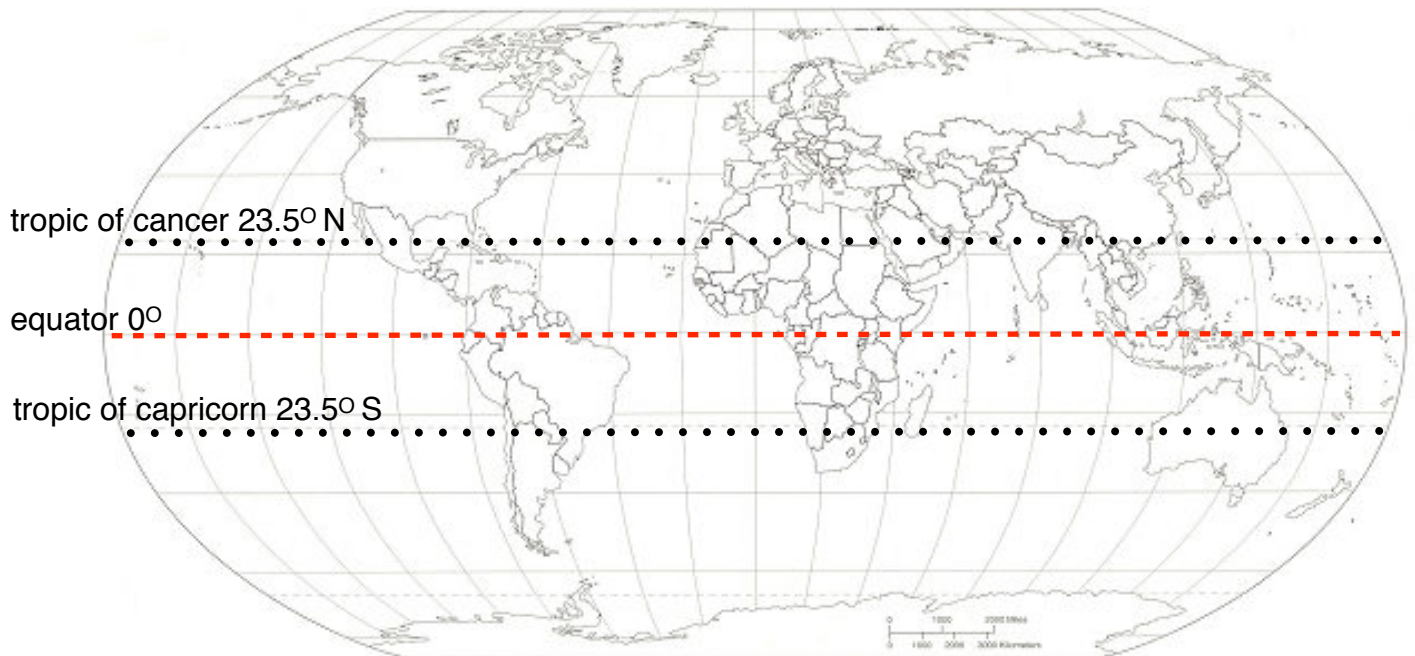


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REGIONS: AUSTRALIA

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- 1) Neatly color the continent: Australia
- 2) How much of this continent is located between the tropics?
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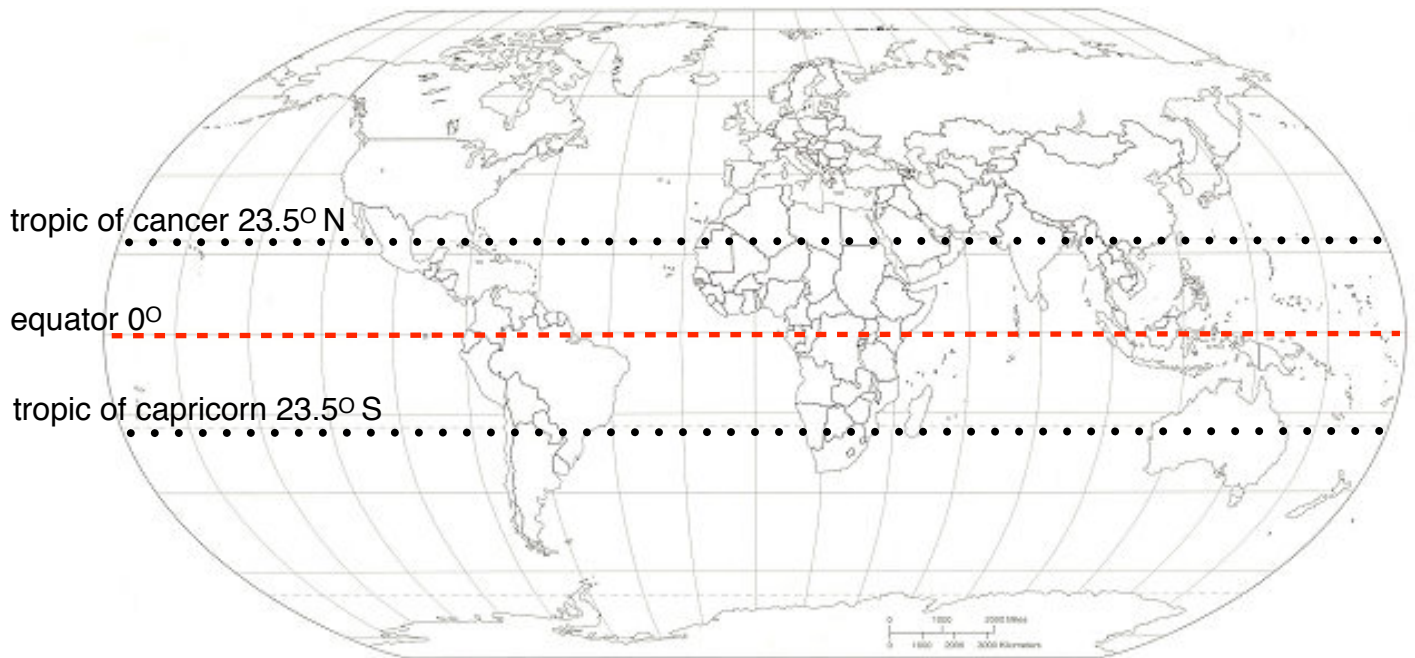


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- 1) Neatly color the continent: North America
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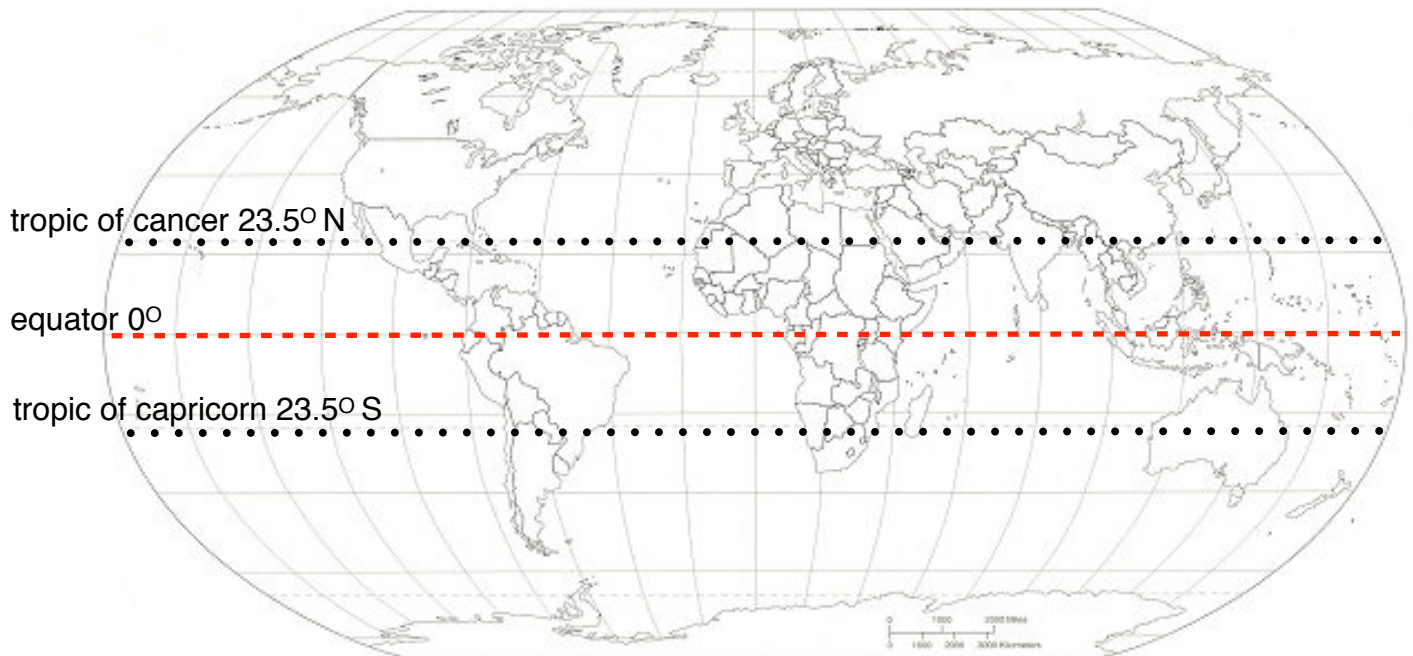


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- 1) Neatly color the continent: South America
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- 4) What kind of vegetation grows/flourishes on this continent?
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- 1) LISTEN ATTENTIVELY TO DISCUSSIONS
- 2) PARTICIPATE IN DISCUSSIONS
- 3) CONTRIBUTE MEANINGFUL INSIGHTS
- 4) REFLECT ON EACH QUESTION BELOW
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PART 1: QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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1. What are the three major elements that separate the world's "haves" from the "have-nots"?
2. Livestock plays a significant role in a civilization's ability to become rich and powerful. How did the domestication (from wild to tame) of animals help people? Give several examples.
3. List the animals that can be domesticated and where they can be found.
4. How did the movement of the early civilizations of the Fertile Crescent (Middle East) further support the idea that geography played a key role in the success of a civilization?
5. Do you agree with Jared Diamond when he says of a civilization's ability to gain power, wealth, and strength, "...what's far more important is the hand that people have been dealt, the raw materials they've had at their disposal." Why or why not?

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PART 2: QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

1. *At the time that the Spanish conquistador's invaded the Inca Empire, they were armed with state of the art weaponry. Describe this weaponry.*

2. *What is Jared Diamond's explanation for why the Spanish had advanced to steel swords while Inca's were still making tools and weapons from bronze?*

3. *How did the battle tactics used by the Spanish conquistadors help the small army defeat the Inca army that outnumbered it by the thousands?*

4. *According to Jared Diamond, what made the Europeans "accidental conquerors"?*

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PART 3: QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

1. What is the one factor that allowed Europeans to develop the forces necessary to conquer vast portions of the world?
2. Why were the Europeans who settled the South African cape so successful?
3. How did disease allow the Europeans to conquer the native populations in the Americas and in the African cape?
4. While the Europeans who were attempting to overtake/settle the tropical areas of the African continent were responsible for introducing killer germs to the native populations, they also suffered from the effects of the germs native to this part of the world. Describe how these germs worked against the European settlers.
5. How has the colonization of Africa created countries riddled with disease?
6. How has disease contributed to the poverty in many African countries such as Zambia?
7. How has Malaria effected the net growth in Africa over the last 50 years?
8. Describe how other tropical countries such as Malaysia and Singapore have developed rich economies despite having many of the same geographical and health problems faced by African nations.

- 1) CAREFULLY REVIEW ALL YOUR NOTES
- 2) ANSWER THE QUESTIONS BELOW
- 3) BEGIN SLIDESHOW OR POSTER
- 4) SUMMARIZE USING BULLET POINTS
- 5) NO MORE THAN 3 EFFECTS PER SLIDE
- 6) PRACTICE YOUR PRESENTATION (≥2x)



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THE BIG PICTURE (SUMMARY)

THE BIG PICTURE (SUMMARY SLIDESHOW OR POSTER PROJECT)

1. WHY DID CITIES FIRST EVOLVE IN THE MIDDLE EAST?

2. WHY WERE EUROPEANS THE ONES TO CONQUER SO MUCH OF OUR PLANET?

3. WHY ARE THE TROPICS NOW THE CAPITAL OF GLOBAL POVERTY?

4. WHAT ARE YOUR “TOP 4 TAKE-A-WAYS” FROM GUNS, GERMS, AND STEEL?