

Rockingham County Public Schools

World Geography Benchmarks

A Guide for Parent Involvement

<u>1st Nine Weeks</u>	<u>2nd Nine Weeks</u>
<p>Introduction to Geography: WG.1; WG.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic geographic terms • Using maps, globes, satellite images, photographs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Countries, cities, environments • Scale, map projection, orientation <p>Global Economics and Population: WG.2; WG.5; WG.6; WG.7; WG.8; WG.9; WG.10; WG.11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution, growth rates, and characteristics of human population • Human migration and cultural interaction • Natural, human, and capital resources • Developed and developing countries • Global patterns and networks of economic interdependence • Conflict, cooperation, division, and control • Patterns of urban development <p>United States and Canada: WG; WG.3; WG.4; WG.9; WG.10b; WG.11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical environment and development • Economic activity, trade, and land use • Cultural characteristics • Political divisions, cooperation, jurisdictions <p>*****The information in the units above is introduced during the first six weeks, and reviewed and expanded throughout the following regional units</p> <p>Review for World Geography Standards of Learning Test</p>	<p>Latin America and the Caribbean: WG.2; WG.3; WG.4; WG.10; WG.11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical environment and development • Economic activity, trade, and land use • Cultural characteristics • Political divisions, cooperation, jurisdictions <p>Europe: WG.1; WG.2; WG.3; WG.4; WG.9; WG.10; WG.11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical environment and development • Economic activity, trade, and land use • Cultural characteristics • Political divisions, cooperation, jurisdictions <p>Russia and Central Asia: WG.1d; WG.2b; WG.3a,b; WG.4; WG.9b; WG.11a</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical environment and development • Economic activity, trade, and land use • Cultural characteristics • Political divisions, cooperation, jurisdictions <p>Review for World Geography Standards of Learning Test</p>
<p><u>3rd Nine Weeks</u></p> <p>South, Southeast, and East Asia: WG.1; WG.2; WG.3; WG.4; WG.7; WG.9; WG.10; WG.11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical environment and development • Economic activity, trade, and land use • Cultural characteristics • Political divisions, cooperation, jurisdictions <p>North Africa and Southwest Asia (Middle East): WG.1; WG.3; WG.4; WG.9; WG.10; WG.11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical environment and development • Economic activity, trade, and land use • Cultural characteristics • Political divisions, cooperation, jurisdictions <p>Sub-Saharan Africa: WG.1; WG.2; WG.3; WG.4; WG.9; WG.10; WG.11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical environment and development • Economic activity, trade, and land use • Cultural characteristics • Political divisions, cooperation, jurisdictions <p>Review for World Geography Standards of Learning Test</p>	<p><u>6th Six Weeks</u></p> <p>Australia, Pacific Islands, and Antarctica: WG.3; WG.4; WG.10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical environment and development • Economic activity, trade, and land use • Cultural characteristics • Political divisions, cooperation, jurisdictions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final review for Virginia End of Course World Geography Standards of Learning Test • Virginia End of Course World Geography Standards of Learning Test • Application of previous topics and/or pre-teaching of content SOL benchmarks contained in subsequent curricula <p>*****</p> <p>Standard WG.12; Apply geography to interpret the past, understand the present, and plan for the future will be incorporated into each of the above units</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using geographic knowledge, skills and perspectives to analyze problems and make decisions • Relating current events to physical and human characteristics of places and regions <p>Review for World Geography Standards of Learning Test</p>

** The numbers throughout the Benchmarks refer to the 2008 Virginia Social Studies Standards of Learning objectives. For example, "WG.3" refers to the World Geography SOL objective number "3"