

**Design-An-Island Project (100 points)**

For this project you will create a map of your own island. Please follow directions carefully and do your best work. I will give you paper for your island. You must staple this paper to your Island Project. **This project is due the day of test.**

**1. Location, Latitude and Longitude**

\_\_\_\_\_ Pick a location for your Island. Find the absolute location for your island by drawing and labeling straight latitude and longitude lines that go through your island's capital. Also create a grid system, including a minimum of 5 latitude and 5 longitude lines. (3 points)

**2. Physical Characteristics and Design**

\_\_\_\_\_ Include the following map features: (6 points)

1. **A Title** with the name of your island
2. **A Capital for your island**
3. **A Compass Rose** showing which direction is North
4. **A Scale bar** showing how many miles per inch
5. **Label the surrounding oceans or seas**
6. **A Key:** include symbols for you island border, capital,

\_\_\_\_\_ Using **page RA2** in your textbook as a guide, include **10 landforms** from the following list: (10 points)

1. Atoll, Basin, Bay, Canyon, Cape, Channel, Cliff, Delta, Divide, Fjord, Glacier, Gulf, Harbor, Hill, Isthmus, Lake, Mesa, Mountain, Peninsula, Plain, Plateau, River, Sound, Strait, Tributary, Valley, Volcano

\_\_\_\_\_ Draw and color your island. It must look nice. (5 points)

\_\_\_\_\_ On the back of your island map write your name, period, the latitude and longitude, the hemisphere (North, West, East and/or South) your island is in and the nearest real world country to your island. (5 points)

**3. Climate**

\_\_\_\_\_ a. Describe the 3 factors of climate that we discussed in class. (3 points)

\_\_\_\_\_ b. Describe how these above three factors would affect your island's climate. (3 points)

**4. Region**

\_\_\_\_\_ a. Looking at your island's location, what is the nearest cultural region that your island would belong to? What are four things you already know about this region of the world? (5 points)

**5. Culture**

\_\_\_\_\_ a. Using the cultural factors we discussed in class, describe 5 factors of your island's culture (for example, music, language, etc.). Remember to pay attention to the cultural region your island is apart of! (5 points)

**6. Politics**

Write 3 sentences for each of the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ a. If you were the leader of your government, which form of government would benefit you most as a leader and allow you to make the decisions you desire? (5 points)

\_\_\_\_\_ b. If you were a civilian in your island's government, what government would you want and why? (5 points)

\_\_\_\_\_ c. Now decide: what government will you have on your island and why did you choose that government?

You will need to use the terms we have discussed in class about governments (for example, autocracy, dictatorship, oligarchy, democracy, etc.) and defend your stance. (5 points)

**7. Economics**

- \_\_\_\_\_ a. Name 5 natural resources on your island & explain what landform each natural resource came from. (5 points)
- \_\_\_\_\_ b. Name 5 natural resources you lack & explain why you lack these natural resources. (5 points)  
*(We discussed natural resources in class. You will need to look at your island and think of what natural resources your island has. For example, do you have trees for wood? Do you have mountains that are rich in minerals? Do you have oil on your island that you could dig for? Some of your natural resources might not be visible in your drawing but could be underground (i.e. oil) or in the surrounding water (i.e. fish).)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ c. Is your economy pre-modern, modern, or post-modern? How do you know? (5 points)  
*(Consider these questions: Is my island rich in natural resources? Is there enough land for farming/digging/etc? If not, would people on my island need to trade for natural resources and then make the natural resources into products? Is my island stable enough to be a Post-Modern economy?)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ d. Considering your government and natural resources, would your island have a capitalist, socialist, or communist economy? Why? (5 points)

**8. Population**

- \_\_\_\_\_ a. Given your island's economy, what stage of population (stages 1-5) would your island be in and why? (5 pts)
- \_\_\_\_\_ b. Below are the statistics of your closest neighboring country. What stage (1-5) are they in and why? (5 pts)
- Population Density: 51%
  - % Urban: 74
  - Natural increase: -0.1
  - % Life in Agriculture: 3
  - % life in Industry: 34
  - % Life in Services: 63

**9. Reflection**

\_\_\_\_\_ Given the information you have provided about your island would you want to live there? Why or why not? (**Hint: You need to discuss each component of your project to answer this question: physical characteristics, climate, region, culture, politics, economics and population.**) (10 points)