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Chapter 3
The World's People

Understanding Culture
Population Patterns
Resources & World Trade
Technology "Shrinks" the World

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Understanding Culture

- What is culture?
  - The way of life of people who share similar beliefs and customs. (text definition)
- What are some of the characteristics, or traits, that define the culture of a group.
- ***Social Groups***
  - Economic Class (rich, poor, or middle class)
  - Ethnicity (ethnic group)
  - What are some of the social groups that we are familiar with?

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Understanding Culture

- What are some of the characteristics, or traits, that define the culture of a group.
- ***Language*** – one of the strongest unifying traits of a culture
  - What are some U.S. examples?
  - Dialect – the Indian example.
- ***Religion*** – unifying and dividing
  - The Middle East example?

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Understanding Culture

- What are some of the characteristics, or traits, that define the culture of a group.
- ***Daily Life*** – what will you do today to define your culture?
  - What will you eat? How will you eat it? What will you wear? What will you do for fun? What kind of house will you go home to?
- ***History*** – remembering both good and bad
  - Celebration of holidays

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Understanding Culture

- What are some of the characteristics, or traits, that define the culture of a group.
- ***Arts*** – a window into a culture
  - What is art?
- ***Government*** – who makes the rules?
  - Democracy – direct or representative
  - Monarchy – absolute or constitutional
  - Dictatorship
  - Some examples?

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Understanding Culture

- What are some of the characteristics, or traits, that define the culture of a group.
- ***The Economy*** – how do people make a living?

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Understanding Culture

Cultural Change

- ***Cultural Diffusion***
  - Role of TV and the Internet
- Culture Over Time
  - Revolutions
    - Agricultural – 10,000 yrs
    - Industrial – 1700s-1800s
    - Information - computers
  - Civilizations
    - Iraq, Egypt, India, China

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Population Patterns

- Section Objectives
  - You should be able to:
  1) Explain why the world's population is growing rapidly.
  2) Identify where most people in the world live.
  3) Discuss why more people are moving to cities.

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Population Patterns

- How fast has earth's population grown? Why should we be concerned about population growth?
- World Population Growth Through History

- Why has population grown so fast?
  - Death Rate – deaths per 1000 people in a year
    - U.S. – 8.26
    - Bangladesh – 8.13
  - Birth Rate – births per 1000 people in a year
    - U.S – 14
    - Bangladesh - 29

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Population Patterns

- What are some of the challenges of rapid population growth?
  - More mouths to feed, and the threat of ***famine***.
  - Resource depletion – water, fossil fuels, housing, etc.
  - Need for job creation.
- Is population growth bad for the planet and its environment?
  - What role can technology and creativity play in limiting any damage population growth will cause?

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Population Patterns

- Where do all the people live?
  - Land covers only about 30% of earth's surface – ⅓ of which is unusable by humans (ice, deserts, or mountains).
- So where do they all live?
  - People seek out resources, transportation centers, and sites of cultural or religious significance.
- ***Population Density*** – what is it?
  - Afghanistan (114) and Nepal (443) – an example.
  - This does not address the density within a country. What do I mean? Take a look at Egypt!
    - Adjusted population density: 186 becomes 6,550!!

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Population Patterns

- ***Population Movement (migration)*** – where do they go?
  - To the city – ***Urbanization***!! But why?
- Latin America, Asia, and Africa – what are the challenges/problems with urbanization?
  - **Urban sprawl** or *the creeping city*.
  - Take a look at Argentina – 1/3 of its people live in Buenos Aires.
- ***Emigrate*** – to leave one's home country for another.
  - Why do they leave? What are the ***Push*** and ***Pull*** factors?
  - ***Refugees*** – the case of Kosovo – genocide, ethnic cleansing, or both?