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Social Studies

Social Studies Study Guide

Semester 2

VOBABUALRY

Directions: On a separate sheet of paper define the following words using complete sentences.

- 1. Prejudice a negative feeling some people have against others because of their race or culture
- 2. Barrio a neighborhood of Spanish speaking people
- 3. Tenement a poorly built apartment house
- 4. Naturalization the process of becoming an American citizen by living in the country for 5 years and passing a test
- 5. Metropolitan area a city and all the suburbs and other population areas around it
- 6. Middle class an economic level between the poor and the wealthy
- 7. Interest rate the amount that a bank charges customers to borrow money
- 8. Free trade agreement a treaty in which countries agree to charge no tariffs, or taxes on goods they buy from and sell to each other
- 9. Common wealth an area where people have the rights of citizens of the mother country but mostly function independently
- 10. Embargo a refusal by one country to trade its goods with another country
- 11. Free election- an election in which there is a choice of candidates
- 12. Liberate to set free
- 13. Mestizo a person of mixed Native American and European background
- 14. Deforestation the widespread cutting down of forests
- 15. Province a political region in Canada, much like an American state
- 16. Separatist a person who wants to remain separate from a government or group
- 17. Plains a low, flat area of land
- 18. Deserts a dry, arid area, covered with sand, that gets very little rain
- 19. Glaciers a huge sheet of ice
- 20. Resources something used by people to meet their needs
- 21. Nonrenewable resource something from nature that cannot be made again
- 22. Pollution the dirtying of the air, water or soil

- 23. Canal a human made waterway
- 24. Elevation map a map that shows the actual height of mountains, plateaus, plains, and other landforms in meters or feet
- 25. Colonies a settlement ruled by another country
- 26. Industrialization change a country makes when its economy changes from farming to making goods in factories

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

Directions: On a separate sheet of paper answer the following questions using complete sentences.

- 1. What are oil, coal and minerals examples of?
 - These are examples of nonrenewable resources.
- 2. People who are concerned about conservation want to what?
 - People who are concerned about conservation want to use resources wisely.
- 3. Where is the largest rain forest in the world?
 - The largest rain forest in the world is located in South America.
- 4. What are water, air and plants examples of?
 - Water, air and plants are examples of the world's main sources of energy.
- 5. What are the world's main energy resources?
 - The world's main energy resources are oil, coal and natural gas.
- 6. What is pollution caused by?
 - Pollution is caused by factories and machines that make the air and water dirty.
- 7. What are the Rocky Mountains part of the same mountain range?
 - The Rocky Mountains are part of the same mountain range as the andes.
- 8. What is one land region Canada does not have that the United States has?
 - One land region the United states has that Canada does not have is deserts.
- 9. What area are both North and South America located in?
 - North and South America are both in the Western Hemisphere.
- 10. What is located in the Amazon Basin?
 - In the Amazon Basin, there is a large rain forest.
- 11. What does the Panama Canal connect the Atlantic Ocean with?
 - The Panama Canal connects the Atlantic Ocean with the Pacific Ocean.

12. Why does the west coast of Canada stay warmer than the east coast?

The west coast of Canada stays warmer than the east coast because it is closer to the equator.

13. What does an elevation map show?

An elevation map shows the height of different land regions.

14. Why did the British and French fight each other in Canada?

The British and French fought each other in Canada because they wanted to control Canadian land and trade.

15. Canada is _____

Canada is one of the largest countries in the world.

16. Who was Hudson Bay in Canada named after?

Hudson Bay in Canada was named after Henry Hudson.

17. Who were the first people to live in Canada?

The first people to live in Canada were American Indians.

18. How did Simon Bolivar help many colonies in Latin America?

Simon Bolivar helped many colonies in Latin America win independence from Spain.

19. Why were the rich landowners not good governors?

The rich landowners were not good governors because they had never governed before.

20. Many Latin American countries are changing from farming to what?

Many Latin American countries today are changing from farming to making goods in factories.

21. Who ruled much of Latin America for more than 300 years?

For more than 300 years, much of Latin America was ruled by Spain.

22. Why did early colonists in Latin America come there?

Early colonists in Latin America came there to farm and find gold.

23. What is one problem in Latin America today?

One of the problems in Latin America today is the destruction of natural resources.

24. What is the largest city in Latin America?

The largest city in Latin America is Mexico City.

25. The Amazon River flows from the Andes Mountains to where?

The Amazon River flows from the Andes Mountain to the Atlantic Ocean.