



How do I know I want to be a Geographer

12 questions to ask yourself

Do I...



1. feel curious about **places**? like to **travel**?



2. like to look at/study **maps**?

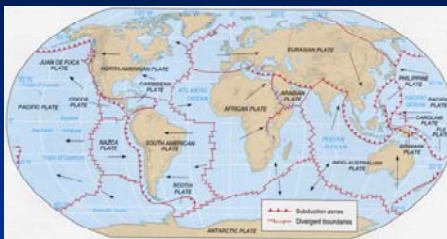
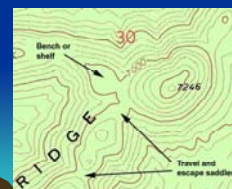
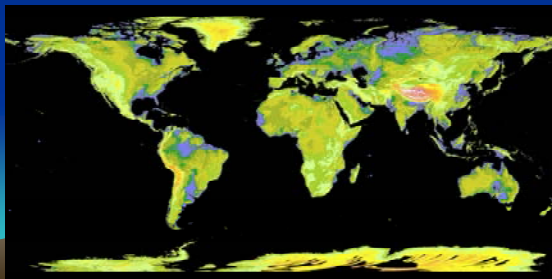


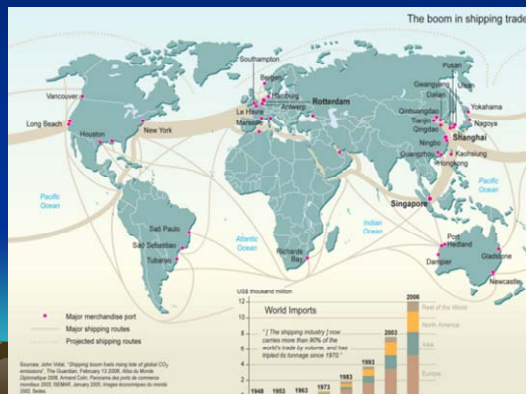
Figure 14. States Mentioned in Country-Music Lyrics
Source: Ben M. Hargis, "A Rose-Colored Map," *Harper's*, July 1977, 80. Used by permission.
Note: The size of each state is proportional to the number of times it is mentioned.



3. prefer window seats when I fly?



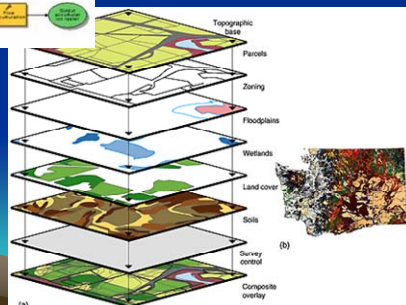
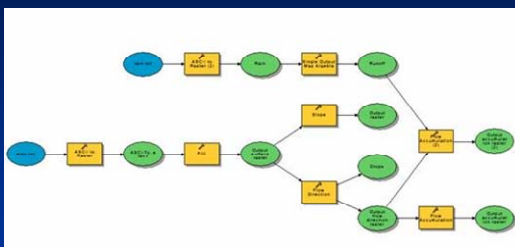
4. have an interest in the way the world economy has globalized?



5. like to work/study **outside**?



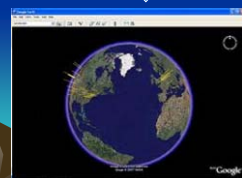
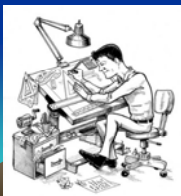
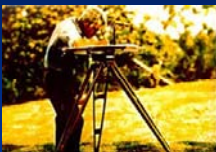
6. like to **solve** problems?



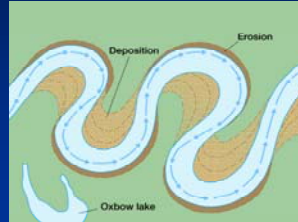
7. See **connections** among processes?



8. adapt well to rapid **technological change**?



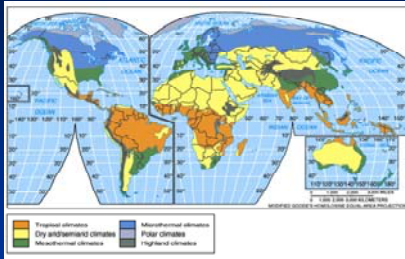
9. try to see the **big picture** to better understand the **small one**?



10. Want to understand connections between humans and their **environments**?



11. want to understand **spatial patterns** on the landscape?



12. like to work with and program **computers**?



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Human Geography

provides a spatial perspective on critical contemporary issues involving society, economy, and resources. Key themes are:

- population and resources
- health and environment
- impacts of technology
- culture and gender
- land-use patterns
- the significance of the location of people and places
- relationships between rural and urban areas
- developed and developing countries
- globalization and international development

Physical Geography

focuses on environmental systems.

Key themes are:

- Climate and weather
- landforms
- vegetation patterns
- soils and water
- human impacts on the environment
- environmental change
- biodiversity

Geospatial Information Technology

is the third fastest growing sector of the US economy today. Geography teaches you all three components:

- Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
- The Global Positioning System (GPS)
- Remote Sensing technology

13. need to learn more??

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