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* Geography is the science of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Geographers ask \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_things are located on the surface of the earth, why they are located where they are, how places differ from one another, and how people interact with the environment

**The Branches**

* **Mathematical Geography**
	+ Studies the Earth’s surface as it is mapped
* **Human Geography**
	+ Studies the things that man does
* **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Geography**
	+ Studies the earth’s processes

**The Five Themes of Geography**

* Location
* Place
* Human/Environment Interaction
* Movement
* Regions

**Location**

* Where are things \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?
* A location can be absolute
	+ Longitude and latitude [49 16N 123 07W] or an address
* Or, it can be relative
	+ It's next to the Cooper’s on HWY 33.

**Place**

* What makes a place \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from other places?
* Place refers to the physical and human features that are found on our earth
	+ Physical: mountains, valleys, rivers, lakes
	+ Human: cities, roads, dams, bridges

**Human/Environment Interaction**

* How do people \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_with and change their environment?
* How humans react to their surroundings
	+ We do it by:

 a. adapting

 b. modifying

 c. depending

…on our environment

**Movement**

* How are people and places \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by communication and the flow of people, ideas and goods?
* Movement is the transportation of an object from one place to another
* In geography, we move:

 a. ideas

 b. people

 c. goods

**Regions**

* How can the Earth be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ into regions for study?
	+ A region is an area where certain characteristics prevail.
* Regions allow for geographers to organize information based on the Earth’s surface.
* Regions formed by human characteristics:
* China town, Jerusalem
* Regions formed by physical characteristics:
* Rocky Mountains, Sahara Desert

**Terms Review – Write your own key word definitions of these terms**

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| -Geography-Mathematical-Human Geography-Physical Geography-Five Themes of Geography-Location-Place-Human/Environment interaction-Movement-Regions-Latitude-Longitude |