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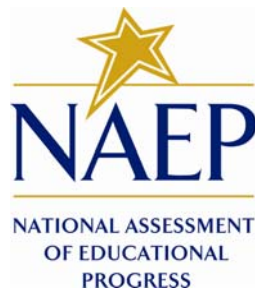
VOLUME II

Part 3d

BACKGROUND QUESTIONS

FOR 2010 ASSESSMENT

Student Grade 12 Geography Questions



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The amount of time estimated to complete this form is 15 minutes.

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**Student Questionnaire
Geography — Grade 12**

Section 4

This section has 16 questions. Mark your answers in your booklet. Fill in only **one** oval for each question except where instructed otherwise.

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1. Did you take or do you expect to take a geography course in the following grades? Fill in **one** oval on each line. [12]

	Yes	No	I don't know.	
a. 9th grade	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	VB345606
b. 10th grade	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	VB345607
c. 11th grade	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	VB345608
d. 12th grade	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	VB345609

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2. In this school year, how often have you learned about geography? [8/12]

- Ⓐ Never or hardly ever
- Ⓑ A few times a year
- Ⓒ Once or twice a month
- Ⓓ Once or twice a week
- Ⓔ Every day or almost every day

3. How often have you studied the following geography skills and topics in school?

Fill in **one** oval on each line. [8/12]

	Almost every day	Once or twice a week	Once or twice a month	Never or hardly ever	
a. Using maps and globes	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	<input type="radio"/> C	<input type="radio"/> D	VB345598
b. Natural resources (for example, oil, forests, and water)	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	<input type="radio"/> C	<input type="radio"/> D	VB345599
c. Countries and cultures	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	<input type="radio"/> C	<input type="radio"/> D	VB345600
d. Environmental issues (for example, pollution and recycling)	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	<input type="radio"/> C	<input type="radio"/> D	VB345601

4. Indicate how often you do each of the following when you study social studies or geography in school. Fill in **one** oval on each line. [8/12]

	Never	A few times a year	Once or twice a month	Once or twice a week	Almost every day	
a. Read material from a textbook	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VE117427
b. Read extra material not in the regular textbook (e.g., magazines, maps, charts, or cartoons)	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VE117428
c. Discuss the material studied	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VE117429
d. Write short answers (a paragraph or less) to questions	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VE117430
e. Write a report	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VE117431
f. Work on a group project	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VE117432
g. Give a presentation to the class on the topic being studied	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VE117433
h. Watch movies or videos	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VE117435
i. Take a test or quiz	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VE117437
j. Go on field trips or have outside speakers	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VE117438
k. Use the books or computers in the library to do schoolwork	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VE117439
l. Listen to information presented online	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	NEW

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5. This year, how often have you used computers at school for studying geography?
[12]

- Ⓐ Never or hardly ever
- Ⓑ Once every few weeks
- Ⓒ About once a week
- Ⓓ Two or three times a week
- Ⓔ Every day

6. Think about all the courses since the 9th grade in which you have studied history or geography. To what extent have you used computers to do the following? For this question include both class work and homework assignments. [12]

	Not at all	Small extent	Moderate extent	Large extent	
a. Did research projects about topics in history or geography using a cd or the Internet	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VB333641
b. Used computer programs in which you play the role of an explorer, geographer, anthropologist, or historian	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VB333642
c. Created or used maps using geographic information systems (GIS)	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VB333643
d. Put history or geography information into tables, charts, or graphs on the computer	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VB333644
e. Wrote reports or other things about history or geography on the computer	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VB333645
f. Combined words, images, and sounds to create multimedia reports or projects about history or geography	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VB333646
g. Used e-mail or the internet to communicate with others about history or geography	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VB333647

7. When you study social studies or geography, how often do you agree with the following statements? Fill in **one** oval on each line. [8/12]

	Never or hardly ever	Sometimes	Often	Always or almost always	
a. I have a clear understanding of what my social studies or geography teacher is asking me to do.	<input type="radio"/> Ⓐ	<input type="radio"/> Ⓑ	<input type="radio"/> Ⓒ	<input type="radio"/> Ⓓ	VC629462
b. The social studies or geography work is easy.	<input type="radio"/> Ⓐ	<input type="radio"/> Ⓑ	<input type="radio"/> Ⓒ	<input type="radio"/> Ⓓ	VC629463
c. The social studies or geography work is difficult.	<input type="radio"/> Ⓐ	<input type="radio"/> Ⓑ	<input type="radio"/> Ⓒ	<input type="radio"/> Ⓓ	VC629465
d. The social studies or geography work is interesting.	<input type="radio"/> Ⓐ	<input type="radio"/> Ⓑ	<input type="radio"/> Ⓒ	<input type="radio"/> Ⓓ	VC629473

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8. How much do you agree that social studies or geography is one of your favorite subjects? [8/12]

- A Not at all
- B A little
- C A lot

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9. Are you currently enrolled in or have you taken an International Baccalaureate course in geography?

- A Yes
- B No
- C I don't know.

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10. Are you currently enrolled in or have you taken an Advanced Placement course in Human Geography? [12]

- A Yes
- B No

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11. Are you currently enrolled in or have you taken any online geography courses for high school or college credit? [12]

- A Yes
- B No
- C I don't know.

12. How much education do you think you will complete? [12]

- Ⓐ I will not finish high school.
- Ⓑ I will graduate from high school.
- Ⓒ I will have some education after high school.
- Ⓓ I will graduate from college.
- Ⓔ I will go to graduate school.
- Ⓕ I don't know.

13. What do you expect that your main activity will be in the year after you leave high school? [12]

- Ⓐ Working full time
- Ⓑ Attending a vocational, technical, or business school
- Ⓒ Attending a two-year college
- Ⓓ Attending a four-year college, service academy, or university
- Ⓔ Serving in the military
- Ⓕ Other

14. How hard was this test compared to most other tests you have taken this year in school? [4/8/12]

- Ⓐ Easier than other tests
- Ⓑ About as hard as other tests
- Ⓒ Harder than other tests
- Ⓓ Much harder than other tests

15. How hard did you try on this test compared to how hard you tried on most other tests you have taken this year in school? [4/8/12]

- Ⓐ Not as hard as on other tests
- Ⓑ About as hard as on other tests
- Ⓒ Harder than on other tests
- Ⓓ Much harder than on other tests

16. How important was it to you to do well on this test? [4/8/12]

- Ⓐ Not very important
- Ⓑ Somewhat important
- Ⓒ Important
- Ⓓ Very important