Key Learning:
To understand location, you must interpret and utilize information from a variety of geographic tools.

Unit Essential Question(s):
How do we use information from geographic tools?

Concept:
Types of geographic tools

Lesson Essential Question(s):
What are the main components of geographic tools (i.e., map, globe, etc.)? (A)

Vocabulary:
Equator, Map, Map Key, Globe, Boundary, Compass Rose, Latitude, Longitude

Using geographic tools

Lesson Essential Question(s):
What information can be obtained from various geographic tools? (A)
Which geographic tools are appropriate for different situations and circumstances? (A)

Vocabulary:
Region, Landform, Mountain, Valley, Plain, Desert, Plateau, Relief Map, Political Map, Elevation Map, Cardinal Directions, Ordinal Directions, Sea Level

Additional Information:

Attached Document(s):
Concept:

Types of geographic tools

Equator -
the imaginary line that circles the center of the Earth from East to West

Map -
a visual representation that shows all or part of the Earth's surface with geographic features, urban areas, roads, and other details

Map Key -
a small box that tells what each symbol stands for

Globe -
a small copy of the earth that you can hold in your hands

Boundary -
a line or natural feature that separates one area or state from another

Compass Rose -
a fancy design with four large pointers that show the cardinal directions

Latitude -
measurement of how far north or south of the equator a place is located

Longitude -
measurement of how far east or west of the equator a place is located

Concept:

Using geographic tools

Region -
a large area in which places share similar characteristics
Landform -
a natural feature of the Earth's surface

Mountain -
a very high land-form, often with steep sides

Valley -
a long low area of land, often with a river or stream running through it, that is surrounded by higher ground

Plain -
an area of flat land that often is covered with grass or trees

Desert -
an area that receives less than 10 inches of rain in one year

Plateau -
a large, flat, raised area of land

Relief Map -
a map that shows variations in land height, usually by means of contour lines or different colors

Political Map -
shows lines defining countries, states or territories

Elevation Map -
shows how high a place is above sea level

Cardinal Directions -
north, south, east, and west

Ordinal Directions -
northeast, southeast, southwest, northwest
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Sea Level -
the same height as the surface of the ocean
Key Learning:

The regions of the United States are interdependent, but the Midwest has unique topography, natural resources, economy, and culture.

Unit Essential Question(s):

How does the Midwest support other regions of the United States?

What are the unique characteristics of the Midwest?

Concept:

**Land and resources of the Midwest**


**People of the Midwest**

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**Interdependence of the Regions**

7.2.6.A, 6.4.6.E

Lesson Essential Question(s):

How do available natural resources impact the economy of the Midwest? (A)

How do geographical features of the Midwest impact their economy? (A)

How do natural resources and geographical features of the Midwest impact lifestyles? (A)

How do lifestyles differ in urban, suburban, and rural areas of the Midwest? (A)

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Vocabulary:

Waterway, Prairie, Badlands, Drought, Canal, Lock, Barge

Irrigation, Crop Rotation, Interstate

Additional Information:

Attached Document(s):
Concept:

Land and resources of the Midwest

Waterway -

a system of rivers, lakes, and canals, through which ships travel

Prairie -

an area where grass grows well, but trees are rare

Badlands -

a region of dry hills and sharp cliffs

Drought -

a long period with little or no rain

Canal -

a waterway that has been dug across land for ships to travel through

Lock -

a gated part of a canal or river used to raise and lower water levels

Barge -

a flat-bottomed boat that carries goods through lakes and rivers

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Irrigation -

the process of bringing water to crops

Crop Rotation -

the planting of different crops in different years

Interstate -
a system of interconnected highways in the U.S.
### Key Learning:

The regions of the United States are interdependent, but the Northeast has unique topography, natural resources, economy, and culture. Within the Northeast, Pennsylvania has played a key role throughout history.

### Unit Essential Question(s):

- How does the Northeast support the other regions of the United States?
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### Vocabulary:

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Topic: The Northeast & Pennsylvania
Subject(s): Social Studies

Concept:
Interdependence of regions
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How does the Southeast support the other regions of the United States?

What are the unique characteristics of the Southeast?

Concept:
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**Interdependence of regions**
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Lesson Essential Question(s):
- How do available natural resources impact the economy of the Northeast? (A)
- How do natural resources and geographical features of the Northeast impact lifestyles? (A)
- How do lifestyles differ in urban, suburban, and rural areas of the Southeast? (A)
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Vocabulary:
- Barrier Islands, Wetlands, Fall Line, Key, Everglades, Pulp, Fossil Fuels,
- Hurricane, Hurricane Season, Public Transportation System,
Concept:

Land and resources of the Southeast

Barrier Islands -

a narrow island between the ocean and the mainland

Wetlands -

land that is covered with water at some times

Fall Line -

a line of waterfalls that marks the boundary between the Piedmont and the coastal plains

Key -

a low island

Everglades -

a huge area of wetlands

Pulp -

a combination of wood chips, water, and chemicals used to make paper

Fossil Fuels -

a fuel formed in the earth from the remains of plants and animals

Concept: People of the Southeast

Hurricane -

a violent storm with high winds and heavy rain that forms over an ocean

Hurricane Season -

the time of year when hurricanes mainly occur
Public Transportation System -

the trains and buses that carry people through a city
Key Learning:
The regions of the United States are interdependent, but the Southwest has unique topography, natural resources, economy, and culture.

Unit Essential Question(s):
How does the Southwest support the other regions of the United States?
What are the unique characteristics of the Southwest?

Concept:
Land and resources of the Southwest

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Vocabulary:
Canyon, Erosion, Gusher, Refinery,
Adobe, Pueblo, Arid, Savanna,

Additional Information:

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Concept:

Land and resources of the Southwest

Canyon -

a deep valley with steep rocky walls

Erosion -

the process by which wind and water wear away rock

Gusher -

an oil well that produces a large amount of oil

Refinery -

a factory that separates crude oil into different groups of chemicals

Concept:

People of the Southwest

Adobe -

a kind of mud brick

Pueblo -

a Spanish word that means 'village' and which refers to some Native American groups in the Southwest

Arid -

dry, but not desert-like

Savanna -

a grassy plain with few trees
The regions of the United States are interdependent, but the West has unique topography, natural resources, economy, and culture.

**Unit Essential Question(s):**

How does the West support other regions of the United States?

What are the unique characteristics of the West?

**Concept:**

**Land and resources of the West**


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**Vocabulary:**

Timberline, Geyser, Continental Divide, Reforest, Livestock, Magma, International Trade

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Concept: Land and resources of the West

Timberline -
the elevation on a mountain above which trees cannot grow

Geyser -
a hot spring that erupts and sends hot water from the earth into the air

Continental Divide -
an imaginary line that runs along the crest of the Rocky Mountains

Reforest -
to plant new trees to replace ones that have been cut down

Livestock -
animals raised on farms and ranches for human use

Magma -
molten rock beneath the surface of the earth

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a cold, flat area where trees cannot grow

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