

20 - Geographic Issues of the Twenty-First Century

Geographic Journal

Purpose:

This assignment is designed to give each student a chance to explore how geography is involved in the world around each one of us on an ongoing basis. In this assignment you are asked to identify issues of geographic importance as represented in the news media and reflect on why it is an important issue. Through this weekly assignment, you should begin to see the many facets of geography as relevant to your world.

Format:

Journal entries should be printed out from the Internet or your local newspaper and pasted into your journal.

The date of the article MUST be highlighted for each and must reflect the week it is printed.

Example for internet: For the first week I find an article on the oil clean up, I need to make sure I print the article with the date on it. (PICTURE IS A MUST)

Oil spill cleanup braces for hurricane season

Obama pledges to bring those responsible 'to justice'

Last Updated: Tuesday, June 1, 2010 / 11:08 PM ET **CBC News**

Read more: <http://www.cbc.ca/world/story/2010/06/01/gulf-of-mexico-oil-spill.html#ixzz0ysUPgsfC>

Example for newspaper: For the first week I find an article on the effects of wind on Lake Manitoba residents. I need to make sure I clip the entire article from the newspaper with the date on it. (PICTURE IS A MUST)

Wind alert worries cottagers

'Major damage' feared at lakes

Thursday, September 1, 2011

Underneath each one of your clippings ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

- 1 - What this article is about (minimum 1 paragraph, 3-5 sentences).
- 2 - Why this article is important and relevant to geography (minimum 1 paragraph, 3-5 sentences).

Assessment:

This assignment will be marked at each reporting period, due date will be before each report card period. November 9th & January 25th.

You should have a total of

- ❖ 8 articles for each reporting period
- ❖ You cannot have more than one article in a week, so make sure that you are making your journal entry every week.
- ❖ You can have a maximum of three articles from the www. The rest of the articles must be from newspapers or equivalent print.

Each article will be marked out of 5:

- Complete article with date and picture included (/1)
- Article is relevant & summarized clearly (/2)
- Importance is clearly described (/2)