

Chapter 1 Key Issue 3- Why are different places similar?

Globalization

- Expansion of economic, political, and cultural activities to the point that they reach and have impact on many areas of the world
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- Means the **scale of the world is shrinking**
 - People are plugged into a global economy and culture
 - Producing a world that is
 - Led to more **specialization-**
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Transnational Corporations

- What they do
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- Modern technology money and assets to move easier
 - Materials, products, technology, and other economic assets
- Benefits
 - - Value of gold
 - Exchange rate between the dollar and the yen
 - Other constantly changing elements of the global economy

Globalization of Culture

- Goal?
 - - Products, religion, language, etc
- How?
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- Why?
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- Results?
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 - Unequal access to cultural elements- what now?

Globalization of Economy

- What?
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- How?
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- Why?
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- Results?
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 - Heightened economic differences among places
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Distribution of Space

- **Space** –
 - Spatial thinking is fundamental to understand the arrangement of objects across Earth
- **Distribution** –
 - **Density** –
 - High density or low density
 - **Concentration** –
 - Clustered (agglomerated) or dispersed (scattered)
 - **Pattern** –
 - Linear, centralized, or random distribution

Cultural Identity in Space

- Distribution Across Space
 - **Behavioral geography**
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 - **Humanistic geography**
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- Movement Across Space
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- Poststructuralist geography
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