

Georgia Studies Geography Study Guide

Name: _____ Date: _____ Period: _____

SS8G1 – The student will describe Georgia with regard to physical features and location.

A. Locate Georgia in relation to region, nation, continent, and hemispheres:

- Georgia is located in the _____ and _____ hemispheres.
- Georgia is located on the continent of _____.
- Georgia is located in the nation of _____.
- Georgia is located in the _____ region of the United States.
- Georgia is bordered by _____ states. Georgia is north of _____, east of _____, south of _____ and _____, and west of _____ and the _____.

B. Describe the five physiographic regions of Georgia:

(Appalachian Plateau=A, Piedmont=P, Valley & Ridge=V, Coast Plain=C, Blue Ridge=B)

- _____ The smallest of the five regions
- _____ The most populated region
- _____ GA's only source of a fossil fuel
- _____ The highest peak, Brasstown Bald
- _____ Contains Georgia's peaches
- _____ Includes only Dade and Walker County
- _____ The industrial/business heart of Georgia
- _____ The largest physiographic region
- _____ Contains most of the state's textile industry
- _____ Contains ridges with valleys between
- _____ Contains Atlanta, the state's largest city
- _____ Highest amount of annual rainfall
- _____ Contains most of Georgia's peanut & cotton farms
- _____ Contains soil made up of Georgia red clay

C. Describe the importance of key physical features in Georgia:

Fall Line -

Savannah -

Chattahoochee River -

Barrier Islands -

Okefenokee Swamp -

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Identify the Correct Era

Directions: Based on your reading about the different groups of early peoples, identify the group that is *most* associated with each item below. Place a letter in the blank to indicate the era you believe is correct.

P=Paleo A=Archaic W=Woodland M=Mississippian

- _____ 1. Improved tools and had spear points
- _____ 2. Developed more permanent settlements that included circular houses
- _____ 3. Began to plant and harvest crops
- _____ 4. Lived in small groups of 20-50 people
- _____ 5. Most complex societies that existed in this time frame
- _____ 6. Nomadic wanderers in search of food
- _____ 7. Known for large burial grounds
- _____ 8. Changed their diet from large to small game
- _____ 9. The oldest group
- _____ 10. Developed the largest group of villages
- _____ 11. Would have enjoyed mammoth "burgers"
- _____ 12. Developed axes and drills
- _____ 13. Developed the bow and arrow
- _____ 14. First to make pottery
- _____ 15. Societal structure allowed the rise of powerful chiefs
- _____ 16. Corn, squash, and pumpkins were regular food items
- _____ 17. Built towns fortified with palisades
- _____ 18. Made objects with copper
- _____ 19. Encountered the first Spanish explorers