5 Themes of Geography

PLACE
Place: What is it like?
1. Climate example: humid, tropical
2. Physical features example: mts., rivers, vegetation
3. Man-made features example: buildings, dams, bridges
4. Human characteristics example: food, clothing, languages

HUMAN-ENVIRONMENT INTERACTION
Human–Environment Interactions: How do people relate to their environment?
1. How do people depend example: farming, fishing, mining, on their environment? tourism
2. How do people adapt example: igloos, irrigation, to their environment? clothing
3. How do people change example: roads, canals, harbors the environment?

LOCATION
Location: Where is it located?
1. Absolute Location example: New York City Latitude and Longitude 40°N 74°W
2. Relative Location example: New York is on the Atlantic coast. near what other places, north or New York is north of south of what other places Pennsylvania.

MOVEMENT
Movement: How are people, goods, and ideas moved?
1. Transportation example: railroads, ships, planes
2. Communications example: telephones, computers, TV

REGIONS
Regions: How are areas linked together?
1. Political example: North America, U.S.A
2. Physical features example: climate zones, deserts
3. Cultural features example: languages, religions

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