

Geography of China PODCAST

Please watch Podcast and complete the questions.

Natural Barriers: isolated China from outsiders.

The _____ forms part of China's natural border to the west.

- What is a plateau?
- Why is a plateau a natural barrier?

The _____ are some of the largest mountains in the world.

- The tallest mountain is _____
- Height _____
- Mountains are natural barriers because _____

The _____ is a vast area stretching from Mongolia into China.

- A desert receives less than _____ inches of rain per year.
- Difficult to cross with a _____.
- Deserts are natural barriers because _____

What formed the natural barrier to the east? _____

- Oceans are natural barriers because _____

Using the video-podcast label these physical features on this map.

Himalayan Mountain Range Mt. Everest Gobi Desert Pacific Ocean Tibetan Plateau



Importance of Location

Natural barriers and long distances separated China from other civilizations. This geography allowed China to develop relatively undisturbed. Give examples of how this could HELP China and examples of how this could HURT China.

HELP

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

HURT

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

China as a River Civilization

China, like many other ancient civilizations, developed along major rivers.

China's two rivers:

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The Huang Hu river, though vital for survival, has an obvious nickname. It is sometimes called the _____

Fertile yellow soil that blows off the plains and into the river and is deposited on land during the floods is called _____

Huang Hu River

How might it have received this nickname?

Why would people continue to live near this river?

Geography of Japan PODCAST

Describe where Japan is located _____

Japan has 4 main islands, but is actually made up of _____ islands and has a population of _____.

A geo-term for Japan is an _____. This is defined as _____.

Geographic Features of Japan

Japan is made up of 4 main islands: _____,
_____ and _____.

It is surrounded by 3 bodies of water: _____,
and _____.

Population Density

This is defined as _____.

As a country, Japan ranks _____ in population. It is equal in size to _____ meaning that it has a (circle one) high/low population density.

What do farmers do to maximize space for planting crops? _____

Japan is _____% rugged landscape with (circle one) low/high elevation.

What percent of the world's active volcanoes are found in Japan? _____

This is due to the country being on the _____.

Three forms of seismic activity are; _____, _____, and _____.

So, let's review:

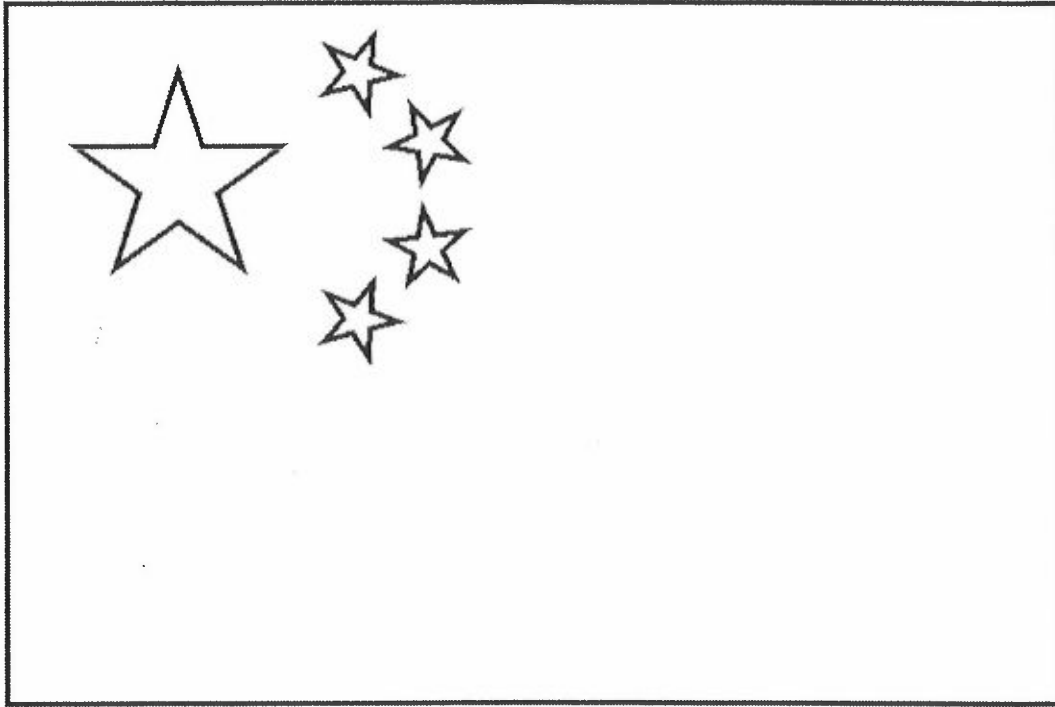
Japan is an _____. This is defined as _____.

Japan has a _____.

Lastly, Japan's landscape is _____ and has a high _____.

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