**AP Human Geography Project**

**Map Analysis Essay Due:**

Select a map from a newspaper, magazine, the Internet, or another source (the map or a photocopy of it must be turned in with the essay). Students examine the map carefully and think about the choices the cartographer made. They must consider the map’s projection, colors, symbols, data classification, scale, and overall design. In a three to five-paragraph essay, they must evaluate (stressing both advantages and limitations) the map’s usefulness.

**Map Analysis Rubric**  
 **Meets 2 pts Does Not Meet 0pts**

A photocopied or printed copy of the map is included

**Content Analysis (12 pts) Excellent Good Average Poor 12 10 9 0-6**

Map is analyzed in terms of factors such as

scale, projection, data classification, and colors.

Includes an evaluation of advantages and

limitations.

**Structure (6 pts) 6 5 4 0-3**

Essay is well written in 3-5 paragraphs

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