

**Human Geography Station Activity**

**Station 1: Population Density**

1. What is population density? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Fill in the chart below:

Location:	Sparse or Dense Population	Reason (SUMMARIZE! list one or two major reasons this place is sparsely or densely populated)
Northern Canada		
Europe		
Himalayan mountains		
Amazon rainforest		
Bangladesh		
Central Australia		

1. Based on this map on page 2, which continent had the most sparse population distribution? \_\_\_\_\_
2. In the United States, where is the population the densest? \_\_\_\_\_ Why do you think it is the densest there? \_\_\_\_\_

**Station 2: Migration (push/pull factors)**

A.

<u>Push Factors</u>	<u>Pull Factors</u>

**B. IMMIGRATION TO CALIFORNIA**

Word of the discovery of gold in California spread beyond the borders of the United States. Drought and excessive flooding (depending on the region in China) had made farming a barely sustainable enterprise for many Chinese peasants. Farmers from these troubled regions of China eagerly listened to the stories about gold in California. Many, searching for a better life and prosperity, borrowed money to make the transpacific journey to California. Many hoped to return to China with enough wealth to provide for their struggling families.

Chinese immigrants, who were familiar with hardship, tended to have more patience and dedication than other miners in the region. They often worked in mines that others had given up on. Persistence occasionally paid off and Chinese workers were able to capitalize on their venture.

**C. Analyze the cartoon**

1. Describe what you find on the poster?
2. Are the things listed on the poster push or pull factors?
3. Describe the emotional state of the character in the cartoon. Why do you think he feels this way?
4. Put yourself in the shoes of the character in the cartoon and complete the following sentence starter. If I were the character in the cartoon I would...

**Station 3: Globalization**

Rewrite the definition of Globalization in your own words: \_\_\_\_\_

How is McDonald's an example of Globalization? \_\_\_\_\_

**McDonald's around the world! Globalization at its best!** Fill in the chart below by looking at the different McDonald's food items from around the world. Give a couple of examples for each category.

Country	Cultural-Specific McDonald's products sold	How are the McDonald's products different and the same from American McDonalds?
India		
China		
Central and South America		
Canada		
Middle East		
Italy		

Can you think of any other examples of globalization? \_\_\_\_\_

**Station 4: Culture**

What is culture? \_\_\_\_\_

Record the answers to the questions that your group voted on:

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_ 9. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_ 10. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 7. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 8. \_\_\_\_\_

Did your group disagree on any of the choices? Which question? Why? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you think it is important to learn about other cultures? Why or Why not? \_\_\_\_\_

**Station 5: World Languages**

- 1. Why is language described as the most important function of the human body?
- 2. Name two countries besides France that speaks French.
- 3. How do you say hello in Indonesian?
- 4. What South American country is Brazil the national language?
- 5. Where is Bengali spoken?
- 6. This language is one of the oldest languages. It is also the language of the Koran.
- 7. Name two famous Russian speakers.
- 8. Name three English words that are borrowed from Spanish.
- 9. Many predict that the population of India will soon surpass this country.
- 10. Even though English does not have the most speakers what is unique about English?
- 11. Were you surprised by the most spoken language in the world? Why or Why not?
- 12. Why is speaking Mandarin so tough? Over how many people speak Mandarin?