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| **Content Area** | Social Studies |
| **Grade/Course** | 8th Grade Georgia Studies |
| **Unit of Study** | Geography |
| **Instructional Period** | 1 Week |
| **Insert a standard(s) below (include code). HIGHLIGHT the SKILLS that students need to be able to do and UNDERLINE the CONCEPTS that students need to know.** |
|  **SS8G1 The student will describe Georgia with regard to physical features and location.**  b. Describe the five geographic regions of Georgia; include the Blue Ridge Mountains, Valley and Ridge, Appalachian  Plateau, Piedmont, and Coastal Plain.  c. Locate and evaluate the importance of key physical features on the development of Georgia; include the Fall Line,  Okefenokee Swamp, Appalachian Mountains, Chattahoochee and Savannah Rivers, and barrier islands.  d. Evaluate the impact of climate on Georgia’s development. **SS8G2 The student will explain how the Interstate Highway System, Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport, Georgia’s deepwater ports, and the railroads help drive the state’s economy.** 1. Explain how the four transportation systems interact to provide domestic and international goods to the people of Georgia.
2. Explain how the four transportation systems interact to provide producers and service providers in Georgia with

national and international markets.  c. Explain how the four transportation systems provide jobs for Georgians. |
| **List Behaviors****(what students should be able to do; focus on verbs)** | **List Content****(what students should know; focus on concepts)** | **Determine DOK****(align to instruction and assessment)** |
| DescribeLocateEvaluateExplain | 1. The location Georgia’s 5 geographic regions and their unique characteristics.
2. The importance of Georgia’s key physical features on the development of the state.
3. The impact of climate on Georgia’s development.
4. The importance of Georgia’s 4 transportation systems and how they interact with each other to provide good domestically and internationally for Georgia producers and service providers.
5. How the four transportation systems provide jobs Georgians.
 | **DOK Levels** | **DOK Ceiling** |
| 1,2, 3 | 3 |

**Pre-Planning Worksheet**

**TAPS 1, 2**

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| **DOK Level****TAPS 2, 3, 4, 5** | **Possible Aligned Activities and Questions** | **Resources** **(on/offline)** |
| DOK 2 | Georgia’s 5 Geographic Regions Graphic Organizer | Textbook, Georgia Encyclopedia Website (georgiaencyclopedia.org), Class Notes |
| DOK 1, 2 | Georgia Key Physical Features Map Activity | Textbook, Class Notes, Georgia Encyclopedia Website (georgiaencyclopedia.org) |
| DOK 1, 2, 3 | Class Notes – Georgia’s Climate and Its Impact on the State* Describe Georgia’s Climate
* How does it differ throughout the state?
* How does Georgia’s climate impact the state’s development (economically, regionally, population, etc.)
 | Textbook, Class Notes, Georgia Encyclopedia Website (georgiaencyclopedia.org) |
| DOK 1, 2, 3 | Georgia Transportation Systems Graphic Organizer | Textbook, Class Notes, Georgia Encyclopedia Website (georgiaencyclopedia.org) |
| **DOK Level****TAPS 2, 3, 4, 5** | **Possible Aligned Assessment Items/Tasks** | **Resources** **(on/offline)** |
| DOK 2, 3 | Georgia Geographic Regions Double Bubble Comparison Graphic Organizer | Textbook, Class Notes, Georgia Encyclopedia Website (georgiaencyclopedia.org) |
| DOK 1, 2 | Georgia Key Physical Features Map Activity | Textbook, Class Notes, Georgia Encyclopedia Website (georgiaencyclopedia.org) |
| DOK 1, 2 | Georgia Regions and Physical Features Review Map/Worksheets | Textbook, Class Notes, Georgia Encyclopedia Website (georgiaencyclopedia.org) |
| DOK 2 | Daily Warm-Up Questions | Textbook, Class Notes, Georgia Encyclopedia Website (georgiaencyclopedia.org) |
| DOK 1, 2, 3 | Unit 1 Test Covering All Georgia Geography Standards | Textbook, Class Notes, Georgia Encyclopedia Website (georgiaencyclopedia.org) |

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| **Standards (Primary)** | **DOK (Ceiling)** | **Integrated** |
| SS8G1b, c, d and SS8G2a, b, c | 3 |  |
| **KNOW/UNDERSTAND** | **Essential Question/Enduring Understanding:****TAPS 2, 3**Enduring UnderstandingLocation: The student will understand that location affects a society’s economy, culture, and development.Which North American geographic regions are found in Georgia and what are some distinguishing characteristics of each? (G1b) What is the relative location of these physiographic regions within the boundaries of the State? (G1b)What are the significant physical features of Georgia that have impacted its development? (G1c) How has climate played a role in development? (G1d) What are the four major transportation systems used in Georgia? (G2a,b)How do our major transportation systems impact Georgia economically both domestically and internationally? (G2a,b)In what ways do our four major transportation systems provide jobs for Georgians? (G2c) |
| **KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS****TAPS 2, 3, 5**(Key Vocabulary) |
| **Vocabulary- Tier 1*****Words using to teach Tiers 2-3***DescribeLocateEvaluateExplain | **Vocabulary Tier 2*****Academic vocabulary across content-areas***Geographic RegionTransportation SystemPhysical FeatureEconomic DevelopmentClimate | **Vocabulary Tier 3*****Content-specific, domain-specific***Appalachian Plateau RegionRidge and Valley RegionBlue Ridge RegionPiedmont RegionCoastal Plains RegionAppalachian MountainsBarrier IslandsOkefenokee SwampFall LineSavannah RiverChattahoochee RiverDeepwater PortsInterstate Highway SystemHartsfield-Jackson International AirportRailroadsDomesticInternational |
| **Pre-assessment to Inform Instruction*** Georgia Geography Pre-Test
* Daily informal assessments, such as warm-up questions or higher-order-thinking questions (HOTs)
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| **Assessment for Learning** or **Assessment of Learning*** Daily informal assessments, such as warm-up questions or higher-order-thinking questions (HOTs)
* Homework Assignments
* Notes Summaries
* Unit 1 Georgia’s Geography Test
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| **DO** | **TAPS 2, 3, 4** | **Content** | **Process** | **Product** |
| **Advanced** | Students can connect how all components of Georgia’s geography (location, physical features, climate, and transportation systems) interact with one another to impact the development of Georgia. | Independent inquiry-based learning opportunities and exploration. | * Independent inquiry-based learning project; student lead and created.
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| **Ready** | Students will be able:* Describe the five geographic regions of Georgia; include the Blue Ridge Mountains, Valley and Ridge, Appalachian

 Plateau,  Piedmont, and  Coastal Plain. * Locate and evaluate the importance of key physical features on the development of Georgia; include the Fall Line,

Okefenokee Swamp, Appalachian Mountains, Chattahoochee and Savannah Rivers, and barrier islands. * Evaluate the impact of climate on Georgia’s development.
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* national and international markets.
* Explain how the four transportation systems provide jobs for Georgians.
 | Students will be engaged in multiple in-class and at-home learning activities to ensure they meet the academic standards. Those activities include class notes, map activities, the completion of graphic organizers, and the summative assessment of a unit test. Scaffolded learning activities based on daily informal assessments of student learning.  | * Graphic Organizers
* Map Activities
* Class Notes
* Review Worksheets
* Unit Test
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| **Need Prerequisites** | Review map skillsReview transportation systems | Scaffolded learning activities based on daily informal assessments of student learning.  | Daily informal assessments |
| **Steps to Deliver the Lesson Using WICOR** https://my.avid.org/_images/helper_mascot.pngAVID®**TAPS 2, 3, 5, 6, 8** |
| **Engage**(Hook, introduction to lesson concepts)***WICOR:*** | Through the use of higher-order-thinking questions (HOTs) and video clips. |
| **Explore/Explain**(teaching content all students need to know, understand and be able to do as determined by unpacked standard)***WICOR:*** | Through the use of graphic organizer, such as the double-bubble graphic organizer. |
| **Enrich/Elaborate**(differentiation of process )***WICOR:*** | Through the use of writing prompts and independent, student-lead inquiry-based learning activities. |
| **Evaluation**(Formative assessment)***WICOR:*** | Unit1 Test (summative assessment) that includes extended-response questions. |
| **Resources** | Textbook, Class Notes, Georgia Encyclopedia Website (georgiaencyclopedia.org) |