**PLACE**

Geography is the study of Earth. It includes Earth’s features and it shows us the effects that land has on people, plants and animals. It also discusses the effects that people have on the Earth. There are five themes of geography. They help us study about Earth and organize the information to better understand it. It is important to learn about **place** as we explore the five themes of geography. This theme of geography refers to everything that would answer this question: “What is it like there?”. It answers this question by describing the physical and human features of an area. Place includes landforms, climate and bodies of water. It also includes plants and animal life, as well as the human population of a location. *A place is an area that is defined by everything that is a part of it.*

Summarize the paragraph using at least **3 hashtag summaries**: *(ex: #PlaceTheme, #5Themes)*

**Stop & Think: Paraphrase** the meaning of “place”. *(Place means…)*

Geographers describe a place using **physical** and **human characteristics***. Physical characteristics of a place make up its natural environment*. Landforms are an example of a physical characteristic. Another example is climate, which is the average type of weather over a period of time. A place is drastically impacted by its climate . Climate, landforms and bodies of water can determine the plant and animal life in an area. All of these also affect a place’s human characteristics. *The types of people who live in a place determine its human features*. How people live, their occupations (jobs), their pastimes, their languages, and their traditions are examples of human characteristics. Other examples include government, religion and population densities.

Summarize the paragraph using **4 hashtag summaries**: *(ex: #Physical&Human)*

**Stop & Think:**

1. How does climate drastically impact a place? *(Climate can drastically impact a place by…)*
2. Describe Dearborn using at least **3 physical characteristics**:

*(Dearborn’s climate is… Dearborn’s landscape can be described as…)*

All places have features that make them **unique** and **distinguish** them from other places (they are noticeably different). Our school is a place. Each school is different based on

where it is located, what makes up the school, and the people there. It would include the people, clothing, books, walls, maps, windows, hallways, gym, cafeteria, classrooms and even the languages spoken by the people.

Summarize the paragraph using **3 hashtag summaries** *(ex: #School=Place)*

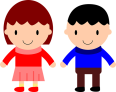
**Stop & Think:** Give **4 examples** of how Woodworth is a **unique** school.

1. *Woodworth is different than other schools because…*

2. *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is an example of Woodworth’s uniqueness because…*

3.

4.

Places have physical and human characteristics that make them what they are. Geography **emphasizes** (gives importance to) the understanding of both of these factors and their **integration** (combination & coordination) together. The theme of place helps people to understand more about location. We can make observations about what we see in a location when we have a sense of physical and human features.

Summarize the paragraph using **2 hashtag summaries**: *(ex: #IntegrateMeansCoordinate)*

**Stop & Think:** Imagine you are only given the physical and human characteristics of a state or

country-- you do not know the name of that state/country or its location. **How can you use the theme of place to determine where that state/country is located? Explain.**

*(The theme of place can be used to determine where a state or country is located by…)*