

Unit 1

Cultural Diffusion and the Geographic Perspective

Nature and Perspectives 4

Note: all of the following information in addition to your reading is important.

Introduction to Cultural Geography

- Define: culture - _____

- Define: culture trait, and give ONE example - _____

- Define: culture complex, and give ONE example - _____

- Define: cultural hearth (along with independent invention) - _____

Connectedness Through Diffusion

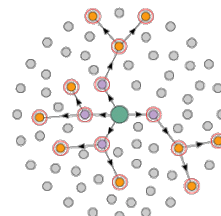
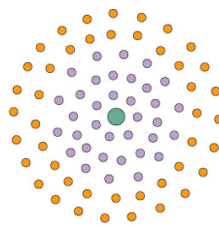
- Define: diffusion - _____

- Define: time-distance decay (and cultural barriers) - _____

- Define: expansion diffusion - _____

 - Define: hierarchical diffusion, and give ONE example - _____

 - Define: contagious diffusion, and give ONE example - _____



LEGEND

- Hearth
- Early diffusion
- Later diffusion
- Important person or place
- No diffusion

Expansion diffusion (cont'd)

○ Define: stimulus diffusion, and give ONE example - _____

• Define: relocation diffusion; how is it different from expansion diffusion? - _____

• Define: migrant diffusion, and give ONE example - _____

Geographic Concepts

• Define: environmental determinism - _____

• Why is environmental determinism an incomplete means for understanding the differences in power and prosperity between regions? - _____

• Define: possibilism - _____

• Discuss ONE limitation of possibilism as an accurate inquiry into the differences between regions - _____

• Define: cultural ecology (which involves political ecology) - _____

• What studies dominate the field of human geography today? - _____

