The Geography of Current Events

Over the course of the summer, find and read **ANY THREE** articles of your own choosing from current newspapers (*New York Times, Washington Post, USA Today, Dallas-Morning News*), news magazines (*The Economist, Newsweek, Time*), or Internet news sites such as CNN and NPR, dealing with some current world or geography-related issue such as (but not limited to) current political and ethnic conflicts around the world, world food and health issues, natural disasters and the human response to disasters, fluctuating gas prices, the current political landscape in the U.S., human rights issues, the national and global economic crisis, trade issues, challenges to the environment in the United States or around the world... basically any topic/event/issue relating to human or physical geography.

This summer assignment will be **due the first week back from summer break**.

Great resources to use for current events and/or general news (just click to view):

- **Sunday Edition News Outlets - Get the Stories Here!**
  - [Fareed Zakaria GPS (CNN)](https://www.cnn.com/specials/fareed-zakaria-gps)
    - Comprehensive look at foreign affairs across globe
  - [NPR - Weekend Edition Sunday](https://www.npr.org/)
    - Comprehensive look at news in the world

Do the following with these three articles:

- Clip the articles and/or download/print. Be sure to include **date and source (URL)**. READ and ANNOTATE the articles.
- **Identify and describe the main idea(s)** of each article. Please list/bullet at least 5 main ideas from the article. Describe each of those facts.
- Answer the following questions once identified the main ideas of the article.
  1. When did the event occur?
  2. What happened?
  3. Where did it happen?
  4. Share your thoughts/opinion on the facts of the event.
- **For each article**: 5 main ideas/facts with paragraph answering the above questions (total of 3 articles with facts and paragraph for each). Main ideas and paragraphs need to be typed.

Attach all the above to each of your articles. Please use this page as your cover sheet for your summer packet.

**Assignment is due the FIRST TUESDAY when we are back to school in August.**