Unit 1 - Culture
Study Guide

8 Cultural Universals - What are they? What are examples of each? What does each one mean? Why bother with them (aka - how do they help us?)

5 Themes of Geography - What are they? What are examples of each? What do they mean? Why bother with them? How do they interact or intersect with the cultural universals?

Maslow’s Hierarchy of Needs - What is it? What are the levels? What do they mean? How do they relate to human development? Do you agree or disagree?

Guns, Germs, & Steel - what was Jared Diamond’s thesis? What question was he trying to answer? What do his critics say? What do you think? How does his theory mesh with the other themes above?

What is cultural relativism? Does it work in all instances? What is a good “check” on cultural relativism?