

# AP Human Geography

## Unit 4: Political Patterns & Processes

<u>Important Vocabulary</u>	<u>Topic Review Videos</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Autonomous regions</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Centrifugal forces</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Centripetal forces</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Chokepoints</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Commonwealth</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Devolution</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Federal states</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Gerrymandering</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Irredentism</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Law of the sea</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Multinational states</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Multistate nations</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Nation-states</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Nations</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Neocolonialism</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Self-determination</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Semi autonomous regions</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Shatterbelts</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Sovereignty</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Stateless nations</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Subnational political territorial units</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Supranational organizations</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Supranationalism</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Territoriality</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Types of boundaries (Relic, superimposed, subsequent, antecedent, geometric, &amp; consequent)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Also look at the different types of boundary disputes</li></ul></li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Unitary states</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><a href="#">Topic 4.1 Introduction to Political Geography</a><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• State, Nation, Nation-State, Multinational State, Multistate Nation, Stateless Nation, Autonomous &amp; Semi-Autonomous Regions, &amp; Self-Determination</li></ul></li><li><a href="#">Topic 4.2 Political Processes</a><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Colonialism, Imperialism, the Scramble for Africa, Devolution &amp; Balkanization</li></ul></li><li><a href="#">Topic 4.3 Political Power and Territoriality</a><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Territoriality, Choke Points, &amp; Neocolonialism</li><li>• Shatterbelt &amp; Cultural Shatterbelt regions</li></ul></li><li><a href="#">Topic 4.4 Defining Political Boundaries</a><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Physical, Cultural, &amp; Geometric Boundaries</li><li>• Antecedent, Relic, Subsequent, Consequent, &amp; Superimposed Boundaries</li></ul></li><li><a href="#">Topic 4.5 The Function of Political Boundaries</a><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Boundary Disputes, The Law of the Sea, &amp; the South China Sea</li></ul></li><li><a href="#">Topic 4.6 Internal Boundaries</a><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Redistricting, &amp; Gerrymandering</li></ul></li><li><a href="#">Topic 4.7 Forms of Governance</a><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Unitary &amp; Federal States</li></ul></li><li><a href="#">Topic 4.8 Defining Devolutionary Factors</a><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Devolution, Irredentism, &amp; Terrorism</li></ul></li><li><a href="#">Topic 4.9 Challenges to Sovereignty</a><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Supranational Organizations &amp; Sovereignty</li></ul></li><li><a href="#">Topic 4.10 Consequences of Centrifugal and Centripetal Forces</a><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ethnonationalism &amp; Centrifugal/Centripetal Forces</li></ul></li></ul>

### Tips, Tricks, & Focal Points

- Remember this is not a history class, do not focus on dates or specific individual events that took place during major historical events
  - Focus on how history reshaped the political world (Scramble for Africa, colonialism, imperialism, slave trade) How did these events lead to new countries? Diffusion of culture? Political stability/instability? How do they influence society today?
- When studying supranational organizations focus on how they impact states sovereignty, solve global problems, & how globalization has led to the creation of more organizations
  - Do not memorize all of the unique rules and customs of each organization
- Understand how the different terms in this unit work in the real world
  - Many students mix up the vocab in this unit, it is important that you can see how the terms in this unit connect to the real world. The test will give you stimulus questions that use the terms in this unit to see if you can apply them.
- Understand the culture, economics, and technology impact a state (Centripetal & centrifugal forces)