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Culture

Read and highlight culture and its elements, then complete the bottom.

Wherever people live, they have developed a way of working, playing, and governing themselves. How people live day by day, how they work, the songs they sing, the god or gods they worship, the sports they enjoy--all these things make up their culture. The culture of a people is passed on from one generation to another that is to their children and their children's children. Culture may change greatly or very little over the years. USA culture changes very fast. Among the Bushmen of the Kalahari ways of living have changed little since the dawn of time.

Culture depends in part on the people's geography; their environment. Soil, climate, mineral, the kind of land surface, power resources--all of these make up a people's environment. Ways of living may vary greatly among different environments. In this course we will be studying people of the world according to their cultural regions.

Can you identify culture and its elements? Read the following statements. Decide if the statement is CULTURE or NOT CULTURE. Put "C" for culture and "NC" for not culture.

Ask yourself. Was I born with it? (Not culture) Or did I learn or create it? (Culture)

1. The language a person speaks.. _____
2. The clothing a person wears. _____
3. The shape of a person's head. _____
4. The religion a person practices. _____
5. The kind of hair a person has. _____
6. The government a person chooses. _____
7. The color of a person's skin. _____
8. The home a person lives in. _____
9. The country a person is a citizen of. _____
10. The kind of job a person holds. _____
11. The color of a person's eyes. _____
12. The bone structure of a person's body. _____
13. The games a person plays. _____
14. The songs a person listens to. _____

15. The height of a person. _____
16. The laws a person must live by. _____
17. The role a person has in society. _____
18. The rank a person has in the class system. _____
19. The size of the country a person lives in. _____
20. The art a person creates. _____
21. The climate a person lives in. _____
22. The technology a person uses. _____
23. The type of family a person lives in. _____
24. The prayers a person says. _____
25. The weight of a person. _____