

**2019 WorldQuest / Academic WorldQuest**

**STUDY GUIDE**

**The WACC does not endorse any of the links or information provided on any of the websites recommended below. The study guide serves as “informational material” to help you begin your prep strategy. You are certainly not required to use any of the sources/links provided below in order to prepare to play.**

**Your WQ or AWQ team is encouraged to do additional research/studying/reading separate from this study guide.**

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The sources and sample questions provided are only meant to be a basic guide to help you begin preparing for **WorldQuest** or **Academic WorldQuest.**

**PowerPoint slides for previous year’s WorldQuest/Academic WorldQuest are available online:** <http://www.slideshare.net/charlotteworld>

**Never played WorldQuest / Academic WorldQuest before? Check out highlights from past competitions:**

1. 2016 WQ & AWQ Video Highlights: <https://vimeo.com/192010731>
2. 2016 WQ & AWQ Teaser: <https://vimeo.com/170812894>
3. 2013 WQ and AWQ Video Highlights: <https://vimeo.com/82294418>
4. 2011 WQ and AWQ Video Highlights: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ESvEiNLItzg>

**Who Can Play?**

**WorldQuest: Each team consists of eight players.**

Each team consisting of eight players is formed by businesses, government institutions, schools/colleges, non-profits or other self-determined groups. Individuals without a group will be assigned to a team by the Council.

**Academic WorldQuest**: Each high school in Mecklenburg, Iredell, Cabarrus, Gaston and Union County can send a delegation of students as a team to represent their school. Only one official team from each high school can compete in AWQ.

**How are WorldQuest and Academic WorldQuest Played?**

* Each category will have 10 questions
* Each question is typically allotted 30 seconds though there will be at least 5-7 questions (total) requiring extra time (45 seconds to 2 minutes)
* Each team collaborates to answer each question before submitting their answer sheet at the end of each round

**What Do You Win?**

* AWQ and WQ teams will be judged separately
* Medals and trophies are awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winning teams for both WQ and AWQ

**How Should My Team Prepare?**

The best way to prepare is to review international news coverage and our category descriptions on our website at [www.worldaffairscharlotte.org](http://www.worldaffairscharlotte.org/)

**Academic WorldQuest 2019 Categories:**

1. World Flags
2. History: British Colonialism in Asia
3. Geography of Chile
4. Nobel Peace Prize Winners
5. US-China: Trade, Competitive Advantage, and Tariffs
6. Populism and Politics Around the World
7. Treaties
8. Global Potpourri: Anything and Everything International

­­­­­­­­­­­­**CATEGORY 1: Flags of the World**

Questions in this category will include identifying an image of a country’s flag or identifying a flag based on a description.

**No multiple-choice options.** **Questions will be in fill-in-the-blank format.**

**Study Link**

* [Flags of the World – CIA Fact Book](https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/docs/flagsoftheworld.html%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)
* [Flags of the World - Quiz](http://www.sporcle.com/games/g/worldflags)
* [Flags of the World - Trivia](http://www.triviaplaza.com/world-flags-1-quiz/)

**Sample Questions**

1. Identify this flag: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(write the answer on your answer sheet)**



**ANSWER: Canada**

1. This flag has two equal horizontal bands of azure (light blue) and golden yellow. These colors represent grain fields under a blue sky. Identify the country: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(write the answer on your answer sheet)**

**ANSWER: Ukraine**

**­­­­­­­­CATEGORY 2: History - British Colonialism in Asia**

We will cover major themes related to the British Empire as it pertains to its colonies in Asia, impact of British colonialism in Asia, and more.

**Most questions will be in multiple-choice format, but there will be a few fill in the blank and/or matching questions for variety.**

**Helpful Links:**

* [British Empire](https://www.britannica.com/place/British-Empire)
* [Colonialism and Nationalism in Southeast Asia](http://www.seasite.niu.edu/crossroads/wilson/colonialism.htm)
* [Anglo Burmese Wars](https://www.britannica.com/event/Anglo-Burmese-Wars)
* [When Burma was Part of British India](https://thediplomat.com/2017/10/when-burma-was-still-part-of-british-india/)
* [British Presence in India](http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/british/empire_seapower/east_india_01.shtml)
* [Living in the British Empire (India)](http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/education/empire/g2/cs4/background.htm)
* [Brief history of Singapore](https://www.visitsingapore.com/travel-guide-tips/about-singapore/)
* [Can Colonialism Have Benefits? Look at Singapore](https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2018/jan/04/colonialism-work-singapore-postcolonial-british-empire)
* [Singapore: The Battle That Destroyed the British Empire in Asia](https://nationalinterest.org/blog/the-buzz/singapore-the-battle-destroyed-the-british-empire-asia-19482)
* [Brunei: History (The Commonwealth)](http://thecommonwealth.org/our-member-countries/brunei-darussalam/history)
* [The British Empire: Brunei](https://www.britishempire.co.uk/maproom/brunei.htm)
* [British Empire: Hong Kong](https://www.britishempire.co.uk/maproom/hongkong.htm)
* [Who Gained Most from Hong Kong’s Colonial Era?](https://www.scmp.com/week-asia/geopolitics/article/2128066/who-gained-most-hong-kongs-colonial-era-britain-china-or-city)
* [Hong Kong Profile: Timeline](https://www.bbc.com/news/world-asia-pacific-16526765)
* [How Hong Kong’s complex history explains its current crisis with China](https://www.nationalgeographic.com/culture/topics/reference/hong-kong-history-explain-relationship-china/)
* [History: Malaysia (Commonwealth)](http://thecommonwealth.org/our-member-countries/malaysia/history)
* [Malaysia: The Impact of British Rule](https://www.britannica.com/place/Malaysia/The-impact-of-British-rule)
* [Straits Settlement](https://www.britannica.com/place/Straits-Settlements)
* [The East India Company and its Role in Ruling India](https://www.historic-uk.com/HistoryUK/HistoryofEngland/The-East-India-Company/)
* [India and the British](http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/pathways/blackhistory/india/india_british.htm)
* [Britain: End of Empire](http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/british/modern/endofempire_overview_01.shtml)
* [The World Is Reaping the Chaos the British Empire Sowed](https://foreignpolicy.com/2019/08/13/the-world-is-reaping-the-chaos-the-british-empire-sowed/)

**Sample Question:**

1. The following countries in Asia were colonized by the British EXCEPT:
2. Malaysia
3. **Laos**
4. Singapore
5. Hong Kong

 2. The Convention of Peking cedes \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ formally to Britain.

1. **Kowloon**
2. Tai Po
3. Sai Kung
4. Tung Chung

**CATEGORY 3:** Geography of Chile

Geography of Chile will cover a series of questions about maps, area topology, climate and atmosphere, ecology, mineral deposits and plant/animal distribution.

**Most questions will be in multiple-choice format, but there could be a few fill-in-the-blank and/or matching questions for variety.**

**Helpful Links**

* [Geography of Chile](http://www.chileculture.org/geography-chile/)
* [Country Studies - Chile](http://countrystudies.us/chile/36.htm)
* [Geography for Kids - Chile](https://www.ducksters.com/geography/country.php?country=Chile)
* [Trivia: Geography of Chile](https://www.funtrivia.com/en/Geography/Chile-9690.html)
* [Chile - Map](https://www.worldatlas.com/webimage/countrys/samerica/cl.htm)
* [Andes: World’s Longest Mountain Range](https://www.livescience.com/27897-andes-mountains.html)
* [Five Geographical Zones (Chile)](https://www.chimuadventures.com/blog/2017/02/chile-geographical-zones/)
* [This is Chile (Geography)](https://www.thisischile.cl/nature/geography/?lang=en)
* [Driest Desert in Chile](https://www.cnn.com/travel/article/atacama-desert-chile/index.html)
* [Weather and Climate (Chile)](https://traveltips.usatoday.com/weather-climate-chile-14796.html)
* [Chile Population](http://worldpopulationreview.com/countries/chile-population/)
* [A Guide to Easter Island (Chile)](https://www.nationalgeographic.com/travel/world-heritage/easter-island/)
* [Major Cities in Chile (by population)](http://worldpopulationreview.com/countries/chile-population/cities/)

**Sample Questions**

1. What is the capital city of Chile? **(ANSWER: Santiago)**

 2. Chile is bordered by the following countries:

1. Argentina, Bolivia, and Ecuador
2. **Argentina, Bolivia, and Peru**
3. Brazil, Bolivia, and Argentina
4. Bolivia, Uruguay, and Venezuela

**CATEGORY 4: Nobel Peace Prize Winners**

We will identify and/or recognize the accomplishments of individuals who received the Nobel Peace Prize

**Most questions will be in multiple-choice format, but there could be a few fill-in-the-blank and/or matching questions for variety.**

**Helpful Links:**

* [Nobel Peace Prize Winners](https://www.nobelprize.org/prizes/lists/all-nobel-peace-prizes/)
* [Nobel Peace Prize (home page)](https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2016/world/nobel-peace-prize-winners.html?mtrref=www.google.com&gwh=3DDAC9E92651378FD424662A867BF58E&gwt=pay&assetType=PAYWALL)
* [Nobel Peace Prize Winners (Quiz – NY Times) – You will need access to the New York Times](https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2016/world/nobel-peace-prize-winners.html?mtrref=www.google.com&gwh=3DDAC9E92651378FD424662A867BF58E&gwt=pay&assetType=PAYWALL)

**Sample Questions:**

1. The inaugural Nobel Peace Prize was awarded to this entrepreneur who inspired the formation of the Red Cross after witnessing the horrific aftermath of the Battle of Solferino (1859).
2. Alfred Nobel
3. Napoleon III
4. Clara Barton
5. **Henry Dunant**
6. Which of these American Presidents has not been the recipient of a Nobel Peace Prize?
7. Teddy Roosevelt
8. Jimmy Carter
9. Woodrow Wilson
10. **Ronald Reagan**

**CATEGORY 5: US-China: Trade, Competitive Advantage, and Tariffs**

We will cover issues related to trade, tariffs, economic advantage, currency devaluation, and more as it relates to the U.S. and China. This topic covers a gamut of issues and remains an ongoing conversation all around the world. **Your best method to keep up with what is going is to read the news from reputable media outlets and foreign policy think tanks (i.e. Brookings, CFR).**

**Most questions will be in multiple-choice format, but there could be a few fill-in-the-blank and/or matching questions for variety.**

* [Council of Foreign Relations: Trade](https://www.npr.org/tags/596033415/china-trade)
* [NPR: China](https://www.npr.org/tags/596033415/china-trade)
* [Inside the U.S.-China Espionage War (The Atlantic)](https://www.theatlantic.com/politics/archive/2019/08/inside-us-china-espionage-war/595747/)
* [U.S. Companies in China Get Caught in Trade War Crossfire](https://www.npr.org/2019/08/27/754777224/u-s-companies-in-china-get-caught-in-the-trade-war-crossfire)
* [U.S. Chamber of Commerce: China Tariffs](https://www.uschamber.com/series/above-the-fold/quick-take-your-primer-trump-s-china-tariffs)
* [USTR: China-U.S. Trade](https://ustr.gov/countries-regions/china-mongolia-taiwan/peoples-republic-china)
* [A Quick Guide to U.S.-China Trade War](https://www.bbc.com/news/business-45899310)
* [U.S. China Trade War: Timeline](https://www.china-briefing.com/news/the-us-china-trade-war-a-timeline/)
* [Resolving the US-China Trade Impass](https://carnegieendowment.org/2019/06/04/resolving-us-china-trade-impasse-pub-79259)
* [Did China Break the World Economic Order?](https://carnegieendowment.org/2019/05/17/did-china-break-world-economic-order-pub-79150)
* [Trade War: Farmers and Agriculture](https://www.usatoday.com/story/opinion/2019/08/29/donald-trump-trade-war-agriculture-farmers-column/2150962001/)
* [National Farmers Union Condemn Tariffs](https://thehill.com/policy/finance/trade/458641-national-farmers-union-condemns-new-tariffs-trump-is-making-things-worse)
* [China’s Current Moves Escalate Trade War, Rattling Markets](https://www.nytimes.com/2019/08/05/business/economy/us-china-yuan-renminbi-trump.html)
* [Is China Manipulating Its Currency?](https://www.cfr.org/in-brief/china-manipulating-its-currency)
* [South China Morning Post: US-China Trade War](https://www.scmp.com/topics/us-china-trade-war?gclid=EAIaIQobChMI35bVqtyo5AIVFYrICh1TBgU2EAAYASAAEgJAh_D_BwE)
* [Peterson Institute for International Economics (multiple articles)](https://www.piie.com)
* [Trade War Quiz: South China Morning Post](https://www.scmp.com/economy/china-economy/article/2179535/trade-war-quiz-10-questions-test-your-knowledge-tensions)
* [One Year into U.S.-China Trade War](https://thediplomat.com/2019/08/one-year-into-the-us-china-trade-war-trump-is-still-far-from-winning/)
* [U.S.-China Trade War: Will Asean Benefit?](https://www.straitstimes.com/opinion/us-china-trade-war-will-asean-benefit)
* [Trade War Drives “Innocent” Asian Nations Towards Recession](https://www.bbc.com/news/business-49403710)
* [U.S.-China Trade Dispute (Financial Times – Subscription May Be Needed)](https://www.ft.com/us-china-trade-dispute)
* [U.S. China Trade: Dangerous Miscalculation](https://www.economist.com/leaders/2019/08/08/dangerous-miscalculations)
* [China to Exempt Tesla Cars from Purchase Tax](https://www.reuters.com/article/us-tesla-china-tax/china-to-exempt-tesla-cars-from-purchase-tax-idUSKCN1VK1AU)

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**Sample Questions:**

1. When did U.S. Customs and Border Protection begin collecting increased tariffs on Chinese products effectively beginning the trade war?
2. **July 6, 2018**
3. August 3, 2018
4. September 9, 2018
5. October 7, 2018

2. In March 22, 2019, the President of the United States signed a memorandum directing the following

 **EXCEPT:**

1. To file a WTO case against China for their discriminatory licensing practices
2. To restrict investment in key technology sectors
3. To impose tariffs on Chinese products (such as aerospace, information communication technology and machinery)
4. **To initiate investigation into certain acts, policies and practices of the Chinese government relating to technology transfer**

**CATEGORY 6. Populism and Politics Around the World**

Teams are expected to understand the concepts related to the term “populism”, general rhetoric about populism around the world, and implications globally (i.e. elections, climate change, voter suppression, fake news etc.)

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**Helpful Links:**

### [What is Populism?](https://www.bbc.com/news/world-43301423)

### What is a Populist?

### [The New Populism](https://www.theguardian.com/world/series/the-new-populism)

### [Populism (NPR) – Multiple articles](https://www.npr.org/tags/589919148/populism)

### [Why is Populism on the Rise and What do Populists Want?](http://cepr.net/publications/op-eds-columns/why-is-populism-on-the-rise-and-what-do-populists-want)

### [The Terrifying Rise of Authoritarian Populism](https://www.cato.org/publications/commentary/terrifying-rise-authoritarian-populism)

### [Italy’s Transition from One Weak Government to Another](https://www.theatlantic.com/international/archive/2019/08/italy-political-crisis/597046/)

### [Poland’s New Tune in Europe](https://www.politico.eu/article/poland-pis-europe-rules-new-tune/)

### [How Europe’s Populists Lost the EU Game of Thrones](https://balkaninsight.com/2019/08/01/how-europes-populists-lost-the-eu-game-of-thrones/)

* [The Global Machine Behind the Rise of Far-Right Nationalism](https://www.nytimes.com/2019/08/10/world/europe/sweden-immigration-nationalism.html)
* [The Corrupting of Democracy](https://www.economist.com/leaders/2019/08/29/the-corrupting-of-democracy)
* [What’s Driving Czech Populism?](https://carnegieeurope.eu/strategiceurope/75228)
* [Summer Strife Puts Czech PM’s Populism to Test](https://balkaninsight.com/2019/07/15/summer-strife-puts-czech-pms-populism-to-the-test/)
* [Five-Takeaways About the Swedish Election – and the Far-Right Wave Across Europe](https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2018/09/12/what-the-swedish-elections-tell-us-about-europes-democratic-upheavals/)
* [Sweden Democrats: How a Nationalist, Anti-Immigrant Party took Root in a Liberal Nordic Haven](https://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/europe/sweden-democrats-election-results-nationalist-populist-party-anti-immigrant-refugees-a8515576.html)
* [Anti-Muslim Populism in Hungary: From the Margins to the Mainstream](https://www.brookings.edu/research/anti-muslim-populism-in-hungary-from-the-margins-to-the-mainstream/)
* [Europe Wrestle with Hungary’s Populism Challenge](https://www.cfr.org/article/europe-wrestles-hungarys-populist-challenge)
* [Zuzana Caputova, the Spiritual Liberal who Beat Slovakia’s Populists](https://www.theguardian.com/world/2019/apr/13/zuzana-caputova-slovakia-president-spiritual-liberal-progressive-values)
* [A Rebuke for Populism](https://www.the-american-interest.com/2019/03/11/slovakia-returns-to-normal/)
* [Right-Wing Populist Jair Bolsonaro Sworn in as President of Brazil](https://www.npr.org/2019/01/01/681429911/right-wing-populist-jair-bolsonaro-sworn-in-as-president-of-brazil)
* [How Brazil and South Africa Became the World’s Most Populist Countries](https://www.theguardian.com/world/2019/may/01/how-brazil-and-south-africa-became-the-worlds-most-populist-countries)
* [Why is Populism Booming? Today’s Tech is Partly to Blame](https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2018/nov/29/populism-tinder-politics-swipe-left-or-right-unthinkingly)
* [Populism and Social Media](https://www.oxfordresearchgroup.org.uk/blog/populism-and-social-media-a-global-perspective)
* [Why Far-Right Populists are at War with History](https://www.washingtonpost.com/outlook/2019/04/23/why-far-right-populists-are-war-with-history/)
* [The Effect of Fake News on Populist Voting: Evidence from a Natural Experiment in Italy](https://voxeu.org/article/effect-fake-news-populist-voting)
* [It is Populists the Climate Change Activists Need to Convince](https://www.ft.com/content/d39a9e9a-c3f4-11e9-a8e9-296ca66511c9)
* [The Global Footprint of Right-Wing Populists](https://www.ips-journal.eu/regions/latin-america/article/show/the-global-footprint-of-right-wing-populists-3687/)
* [How to Save Foreign Aid in the Age of Populism?](https://foreignpolicy.com/2019/08/13/how-to-save-foreign-aid-in-the-age-of-populism-usaid-dfid/)

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**Sample Questions:**

1. Brazil’s far-right populist leader Jair Bolsonaro said that he will accept G-7 aid to help fight Amazon fires if:
2. Canada Prime Minister Justin Trudeau offers amnesty to all Brazilian citizens who entered the country illegally
3. **French President Emmanuel Macron apologizes to him**
4. U.S. President Donald Trump allows Brazil to join the newly formed South America trading bloc, SAECON
5. Japan Prime Minister Shinzo Abe restores diplomatic relations with Brazil

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**CATEGORY 7: Treaties**

This category will have questions about a binding formal agreement, contract, or other written instrument that establishes obligations between two or more subjects of international law (primarily states and international organizations). A treaty, in its traditional may also be known as an international agreement, protocol, covenant, convention, pact, or exchange of letters, among other terms.

**Most questions will be in multiple-choice format, but there could be a few fill-in-the-blank and/or matching questions to add variety.**

**Helpful Links**

* [TPP: What is it and why does it matter?](https://www.bbc.com/news/business-32498715)
* [NAFTA: Office of the U.S. Trade Representative](https://ustr.gov/trade-agreements/free-trade-agreements/north-american-free-trade-agreement-nafta)
* [The Treaty of Westphalia (Peace of Westphalia)](https://www.historytoday.com/archive/months-past/treaty-westphalia)
* [Treaty of Versailles](http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/education/greatwar/g5/cs2/background.htm)
* [Camp David Accords](https://history.state.gov/milestones/1977-1980/camp-david)
* [Peace Deals](https://www.huffpost.com/entry/peace-deals-successful_n_7224950)
* [Dayton Accords: 20 Years Later, this is what Bosnians Think About the Dayton Peace Accord](https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2015/12/14/20-years-later-this-is-what-bosnians-think-about-the-dayton-peace-accords/)
* [Summary: Dayton Peace Accords](http://hrlibrary.umn.edu/icty/dayton/daytonsum.html)
* [Treaty of Rome](https://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/0/treaty-rome/)
* [The Significance of the Treaty Rome](https://www.economist.com/the-economist-explains/2017/03/24/the-significance-of-the-treaty-of-rome)
* [Treaty of Lisbon](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/factsheets/en/sheet/5/the-treaty-of-lisbon)
* [What the INF Treaty’s Collapse Means for Nuclear Proliferation](https://www.cfr.org/in-brief/what-inf-treatys-collapse-means-nuclear-proliferation)
* [U.S. Tests Missile with a Range Prohibited by Now-Abandoned Treaty](https://www.npr.org/2019/08/20/752657167/u-s-tests-missile-with-a-range-prohibited-by-now-abandoned-treaty)
* [Tlatelolco Treaty: Nuclear Threat Imitative](https://www.iaea.org/publications/documents/treaties/treaty-prohibition-nuclear-weapons-latin-america-tlatelolco-treaty)
* [Celebrating 50-Years of the Treaty of Tlatelolco](https://blogs.state.gov/stories/2017/02/14/en/celebrating-50-years-treaty-tlatelolco)
* [Oslo Oscords](https://www.mei.edu/publications/oslo-accords-25-years)
* [Greenpeace Disappointed After UN Negotiations on Oceans Treaty](https://www.brusselstimes.com/all-news/belgium-all-news/66169/greenpeace-disappointed-in-international-negotiations-on-oceans/)
* [Third U.N. Meeting For Global Ocean Treaty Underway in New York](https://www.oceanographicmagazine.com/global-ocean-treaty/)
* [Crime in Space: Which Treaties Govern Conduct of Astronauts Beyond Earth?](https://www.euronews.com/2019/08/25/crime-in-space-which-treaties-govern-conduct-of-astronauts-beyond-earth)
* [Colombia’s Historic Peace Agreement with the FARC is Fraying](https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2019/08/06/colombias-historic-peace-agreement-with-farc-is-fraying-we-talked-colombians-understand-why/)
* [The Broken Promise of Colombia’s Peace Deal](https://www.thenation.com/article/colombia-farc-guerilla-peace-treaty/)
* [Why the Arms Trade Treaty Matters – and Why It Matters That the US is Walking Away](https://www.justsecurity.org/63968/why-the-arms-trade-treaty-matters-and-why-it-matters-that-the-us-is-walking-away/)
* [Paris Agreement](https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/the-paris-agreement/the-paris-agreement)
* [Southern Africa: Namibia Threatens Divorce From Wildlife Treaty](https://allafrica.com/stories/201908290161.html)
* [Mako Sharks Get New Protections from Trade (CITES)](https://www.nationalgeographic.com/animals/2019/08/mako-shark-protections-cites/)
* [Wild African Elephants Can No Longer Be Caught and Sent to Zoos](https://www.nationalgeographic.co.uk/animals/2019/08/wild-african-elephants-can-no-longer-be-caught-and-sent-zoos)
* [Five Things You Need to Know About the Maastricht Treaty](https://www.ecb.europa.eu/explainers/tell-me-more/html/25_years_maastricht.en.html)
* [The Manila Pact or SEATO](https://alphahistory.com/coldwar/manila-pact-seato-1954/)
* [The Geneva Convention](https://www.law.cornell.edu/wex/geneva_conventions)

1. What are the three countries that are part of NAFTA? **(ANSWER: The United States, Canada, and Mexico)**

2. The following agreement or pact established a timetable for the Middle East peace process and planned for an interim Palestinian government in Gaza and Jericho in the West Bank.

1. Paris Accord
2. Geneva Convention
3. Treaty of Lisbon
4. **Oslo Accord**

**CATEGORY 8: Global Potpourri**

Questions about fun/quirky/mainstream international popular culture (music, books, entertainment, festivals etc.), religion, food, ethnic groups, sports, and language are often part of this category.

**Most questions will be in multiple-choice format, but there could be a few fill-in-the-blank and/or matching questions for variety.**

**Helpful Links**

* [The Five Countries that Set World Culture](http://www.bbc.com/travel/story/20180701-the-five-countries-that-set-world-culture)
* [Holidays and Celebrations Around the World](http://www.topics-mag.com/internatl/holidays/festivals.htm)
* [Wedding traditions around the world](http://www.associatedcontent.com/article/2543967/wedding_traditions_and_wedding_superstitions.html)
* [International Business Etiquette](https://www.businessinsider.com/a-guide-to-business-etiquette-around-the-world-2015-5)
* [Dances Around the World](https://www.travelchannel.com/interests/arts-and-culture/photos/dance-around-the-world-photos)
* [What are the 10 Most Spoken Languages in the World](https://www.babbel.com/en/magazine/the-10-most-spoken-languages-in-the-world/)
* [21 Unusual English Expressions From Around the World](https://eltlearningjourneys.com/2016/04/11/21-unusual-english-expressions-from-around-the-world/)

**There is no real way to “study” for this topic! It will be a “light-hearted” category with a fun questions thrown in to close out the 8th round of questions.**

**Sample Questions**

1. The meanings of colors play an important role in our world. They convey various emotions and hold different meanings to people of different cultures. What’s the most common significance of the color “red” in Chinese culture?
2. **Good luck and happiness**
3. Anger and masculinity
4. Disturbance
5. Sadness and mourning
6. Guy Fawkes Day marks the anniversary of the Gunpowder Plot, a conspiracy to blow up the English Parliament and King James I in 1605, the day set for the king to open Parliament.
When is Guy Fawkes Day celebrated in England?
7. October 3rd
8. September 9th
9. **November 5th**
10. December 6th