

**DEVON PREPARATORY SCHOOL**

**GEOGRAPHY 7**

**STUDY GUIDE 1-D**

**INTRODUCING THE 48 CONTIGUOUS STATES OF THE U.S.**

**Vocabulary:**

***Write out and memorize the definition of each word as dictated in class:***

contiguous	commercial farm
humid continental climate	import
humid subtropical climate	export
steppe climate = semi-desert climate	population density
desert climate	

**Look at the maps on pp.74ff.**

***Answer each question in your Geography notebook in a few words. (You do not have to write complete sentences.)***

1. Which half of the U.S. has higher average annual precipitation?
2. How much precipitation do the Great Plains receive (in inches)?
3. How much precipitation does the eastern half of the U.S. receive?
4. Which five states are called "Tornado Alley"?
5. Which two coasts are often affected by hurricanes?
6. Which three kinds of "continental" climate (Koeppen: D) are listed?
7. What kind of climate does Pennsylvania have?
8. Which three kinds of "mild" climate (Koeppen: C) are listed?
9. What kind of climate does the Southeast have?
10. Which two kinds of "dry" climate (Koeppen: B) are listed?
11. Where in the U.S. are these climates found?
12. What is the predominant land use in the western half of the U.S.?
13. What is the predominant use of the land in the eastern half of the U.S.?
14. Which half of the U.S. has more urban areas?
15. What percentage of the U.S. population worked on farms in 1900? ... in 2000?
16. What kind of farm are most American farms today?
17. What kinds of agricultural products does the U.S. export to other countries? (3 main categories)
18. What are corn and soybeans used for? (3 purposes)
19. What is the difference between agriculture and agribusiness?
20. Which kinds of livestock are raised commercially in Pennsylvania?
21. What is the approximate population of the United States?