

DEVON PREPARATORY SCHOOL

GEOGRAPHY 8

WORKSHEET 19-B

SOUTHERN CENTRAL AMERICA

On the large Rand McNally political map of NORTH AMERICA:

Label and outline each country in the color indicated:

Red – NICARAGUA

Green – COSTA RICA

Orange – PANAMA

Capitals:

_____, NICARAGUA

_____, COSTA RICA _____, PANAMA

On the large map of MEXICO, CENTRAL AMERICA & WEST INDIES (# 24167):

Carefully outline and label:

Red – NICARAGUA

Green – COSTA RICA

Orange – PANAMA

On the large relief map of NORTH AMERICA (# RG100):

Locate and label:

Tropic of Cancer = 23½°N (*orange*)

10° North

80° West

Caribbean Sea

Pacific Ocean

Panama Canal

Lake Nicaragua

On the large relief map of MIDDLE AMERICA (# KRG799):

Locate and label:

Tropic of Cancer = 23½°N (*orange*)

10° North

80° West

Caribbean Sea

Pacific Ocean

Panama Canal

Lake Nicaragua

On the large map of LATIN AMERICA (# 24676):

Draw and label:

Panama Canal

Carefully locate each city with a dot and abbreviation:

Panama City (= Ciudad Panamá), Panama

Colón, Panama

Vocabulary.

Write out and memorize the definitions of the following terms:

isthmus

stable government

republic

standard of living

national park

gross national product (GNP)

Read pp.217-219 and check the maps on pp.189ff.

Answer the following questions in a few words in your Geography notebook:

1. List the seven countries of Central America.
2. Name the two land neighbors of Nicaragua.
3. Name the two land neighbors of Costa Rica.
4. Name the two land neighbors of Panama.
5. Which country has the highest standard of living and the most stable government in Central America?
6. Of which country was Panama a part, before 1903?
7. Which country built the Panama Canal and controlled it until 1999?
8. Which country now owns and controls the Panama Canal?
9. Why is central Panama the most densely populated and prosperous part of Panama?
10. What is the main source of income (= \$\$) for Panama?
11. Name the most important export crop of Central America.
12. What is the most important source of income for Costa Rica today?

Video Notes: