

Changing Global Patterns

TOPIC SUMMARY

The technological revolution has created a global economy, but not all nations or people have benefited. Improved communication allows ideas and cultures to be shared worldwide, but today's world faces numerous economic, political, and environmental challenges.

Identifying

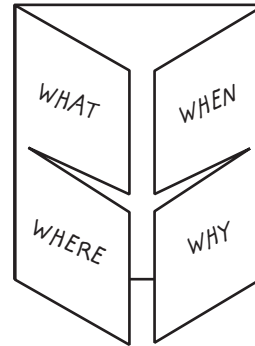
World Challenges			
Environment	Social	Economic	Political

↑ Folded Chart

Have students draw an outline map of the world. Then have them make and use this Folded Chart to identify environmental, social, economic, and political challenges in the world today. Students should summarize information about challenges such as the economic challenge of the gap between rich and poor nations or the environmental challenge of global warming caused by the greenhouse effect.

Materials Needed: one sheet of 11" x 17" paper

Making Predictions

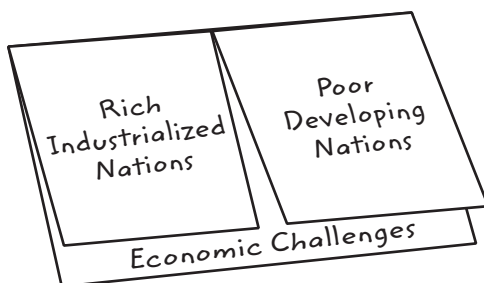


↑ Four-Door Book

Have students make and use a Four-Door Book to organize *What*, *When*, *Where*, and *Why* information about the United Nations. Students should focus on the facts of how and when the organization was created, what specialized organizations are part of the United Nations, and what goals the organization has for its future.

Materials Needed: one sheet of 8.5" x 11" paper and scissors

Summarizing



↻ Two-Tab Book

Have students create a Two-Tab Book. As students read the related text and conduct research, they should summarize the current economic challenges facing industrialized nations and developing nations under the appropriate tabs.

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