Unit-Geography

**Social Studies Vocabulary Words**

**1. Movement--** The way people, goods, and ideas travel from place to place.

**2. Regions--** Areas of the world that share common, historical, human, or cultural characteristics.

**3. Human Environment Interactions--** The way people and the environment affect each other.

**4. Location--** Where a place is on the earth.

**5. Place**--The physical and human characteristics of a place.

**6. Geography**--The study of the world, its people, and the landscapes they create.

**7. Political Map**--This map shows features including country borders, capital cities, and other places.

**8. Physical Map**--This map shows features such as mountain ranges, rivers, oceans, islands, deserts, and plains.

**9. Hemisphere**--The equator divides the globe into two halves.

**10. Compass Rose--** A directional indicator that shows which way is north, south, east, and west.

**11. Scale (bar scale)--** Used to represent distance between points on a map, it gives the distance in miles and kilometers.

**12. Map Key (Legend)--** It explains the lines, symbols, and colors used on a map.

**13. Globe--** A scale model of the earth.

**14. Latitude**--These imaginary lines measure distance north or south of the equator.

**15. Longitude**—These imaginary lines measure distance east or west of the prime meridian.

**16. Equator--**An imaginary line that circles the globe halfway between the North and South Poles.

**17. Prime Meridian** The starting point for the lines of longitude. It runs through Greenwich, England.