# Geography: creating maps of conworlds

### **Geographical Terms**

Plains plain savannah meadow field prairie

Forests forest woods grove copse

**Hills and mountains** hill down mountain range plateau crest peak

Valleys valley canyon cliff

Harsh terrain marsh swamp desert wilderness jungle

**Rivers** river stream brook channel rapids portage source confluence delta bank waterfall spring

Lakes lake pond

Seas sea ocean bay strait

Coastlines coast beach peninsula cape point

Islands island archipelago atoll

Local features rock tree bridge ford dam park oasis

Types of trees aspen birch cedar elm oak palm pine willow

### **Human terms**

Settlements city town village colony port market capital Military fort castle wall camp Religion shrine oracle temple church chapel monastery Other foci mine inn stopping-point post lodge mill house

Roads road highway trail way

# **Useful adjectives**

Age new old
Shapes round flat wide narrow high low
Location central upper lower near far
Direction north south east west
Respect great grand glorious noble holy royal

**Salesmanship** fertile beautiful lucky pleasant quiet gold silver jewel

**Descriptive** windy

**Color** white black green yellow blue red orange brown **Water** quality fast slow clear muddy noisy laughing reedy **Popular** animals horse ox lion fox deer panther hawk eagle dragon ram

### **Swadesh list**

#### **Numbers**

one two three four five

## **Adjectives**

Colors black white red green yellow

#### **Oppositions**

good bad

new old

warm cold

dry wet

sharp dull

near far

big small

long short

wide narrow

thick thin

fat heavy

left right

few many

some all

**Miscellaneous** dirty right (correct) rotten smooth straight other

#### **Nouns**

**Substances** earth water ice stone fire ashes smoke dust salt sand

Time day night year

Weather rain snow cloud fog wind

The sky sky sun moon star

Geographical mountain woods lake river sea road

Body parts head neck back belly hand leg foot skin
The head ear eye hair mouth nose tongue tooth
Internal blood bone guts heart liver meat
Animals animal bird dog fish louse snake worm tail
Bird-related egg feather wing
Plants tree flower fruit grass leaf bark seed stick root
People person man (male) woman child
Family father mother wife husband
Miscellaneous fear name rope

### **Verbs**

Life and death live die kill sleep
Movement come walk float fly swim turn
Body position stand sit lie (down) fall
Eating eat drink bite blow breathe suck vomit
Perception see hear smell
Cognition know think
Speech acts say sing laugh count
Daily life play hunt sew throw wash wipe
Conflict fight hit
Tool usage cut stab tie dig
Manipulation hold give push pull rub scratch squeeze
Physical states burn flow freeze split swell

#### **Grammatical Words**

Conjunctions and because if not
Prepositions at in with
Personal pronouns I thou he we you (pl.) they
Demonstratives this that
Locatives here there
Question words how what when where who

### **Additional words**

#### **Numbers**

zero half quarter (and of course six and up)

## **Adjectives**

Colors blue brown dark light

#### **Oppositions**

beautiful ugly fast slow first last hard soft full empty smart stupid real fake upper lower expensive cheap sweet sour strong weak different same

Swadesh forgot... young hot clean wrong rough crooked Emotions glad happy sad tired angry crazy Character careful lucky smart wise foolish healthy sick Value important interesting boring wonderful strange Abstractions funny easy difficult alone free normal special probable secret

#### **Nouns**

Natural substances air glass iron gold silver Territory nature world land Time week month yesterday today tomorrow morning afternoon The seasons spring summer fall winter

Geographical hill farm field island

Body parts body lip breast butt muscle brain

**Animals** cat cow chicken horse pig mouse monkey lion bug wolf

Plants grain bread branch

People girl boy girlfriend boyfriend friend baby

Family family sister brother son daughter

Hierarchy king boss leader servant

Religion god devil temple holy evil soul sin

Settlements city street tavern

Houses house room wall window door

Furniture table chair bed corner

School school university class lesson teacher test

**Dining** food lunch dinner wine milk

Clothing clothes pants dress shoe hat

**Technology** machine tool boat clock key net wagon wheel wire

**Containers** box bag bottle cup plate knife

Avocations music art science vacation picture game

Language language word book pen paper page

**Abstract thought** idea message story symbol example part number manner group thing

Analysis system list event reason fact space time map

Money money price worth debt shop

Respect honor shame

**Politics** war peace sword government law council tax prison minister

Shapes square circle line edge side

### **Verbs**

Life and death be seem born

Everyday actions work wake dream cook use grow

Writing write read translate create study learn copy

Affection love hate like care want wish marry

**Knowledge** understand believe doubt expect remember forget

**Emotions** hope worry regret surprise

Modals can must should

Aspect begin finish intend to do habitually do

Abstractions cause mean measure place

Perception touch taste

Speech acts answer ask thank greet lie joke call offer choose

Movement leave go follow hide run roll

**Bodily actions** dance kiss smile cry point

Conflict annoy hurt crime destroy trick

Society allow meet help

Manipulation put take have build fold add

Acquisition buy sell need get lose search find trade keep

Containers open close cover

### **Grammatical Words**

Conjunctions but or though until
Prepositions toward for without against on about behind across over under
Adverbs perhaps indeed thus
Time now then again next
Degree very too enough

## Courtesy

please thank you you're welcome welcome to hello goodbye yes No