

# Bell Work

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**1. Examine the map on 441. Answer these questions:**

- **What are Japan's four main islands?**
- **Are most of Japan's major cities in the interior or on the coast?**
- **Why do you think this is so?**



# Japan Lesson 1

**I can explain how Japan's geography shaped life in Japan.**

**7.28 Explain the influence of China and the Korean peninsula upon Japan as Buddhism, Confucianism, and the Chinese writing system were adopted. (C, G, H)**

# Essential Questions

- How did Japan's geography shape its culture?
- Are there more benefits or consequences to living in an area that is isolated from other areas?

# What Mastery Looks Like

- By the end of this lesson, you will be able to...
  - Write a paragraph discussing the benefits and consequences of Japan's geography.

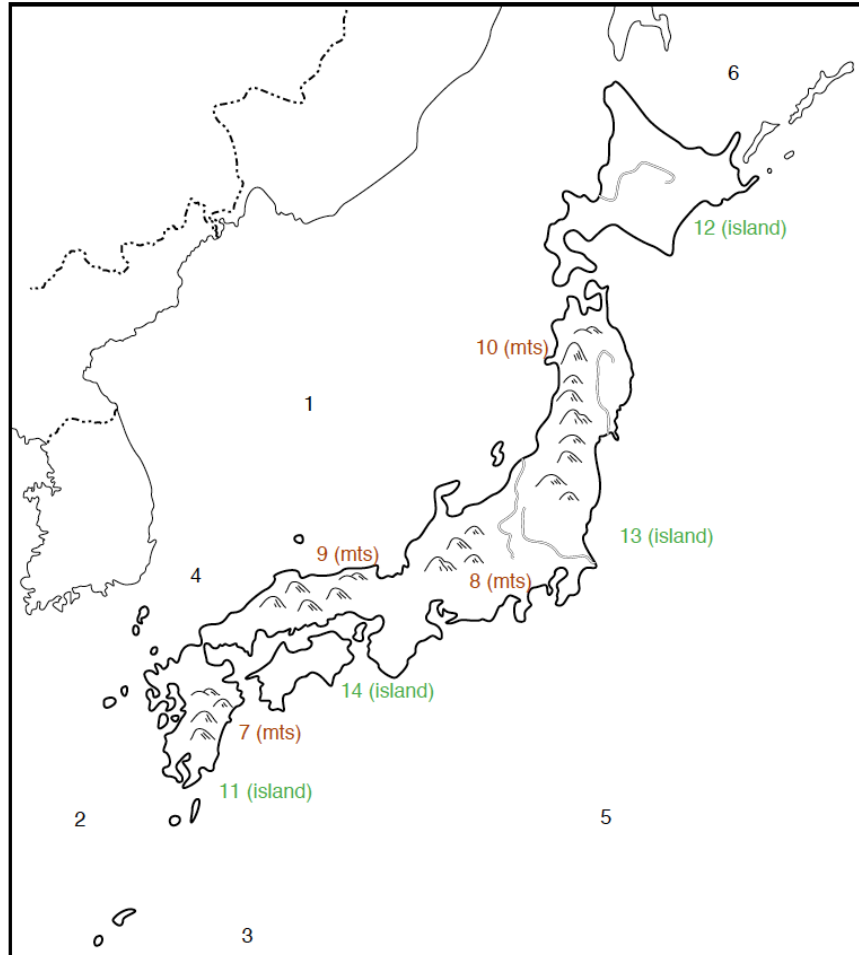
# Map Quiz

- In order to understand how geography impacted Japan's culture, you need to know a little bit about the geography.
- You will have a map quiz on Friday.
- We will take a pre-test now.
- We will go over the correct answers afterward.

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Write the names of the places using the list below.



Look at the map.  
Put the correct  
number next to  
each physical  
feature.

**Bodies of Water**

- Korea Strait
- South China Sea
- Philippine Sea
- Pacific Ocean
- Sea of Japan
- Sea of Okhotsk

**Mountains**

- Kyushu Sanchi
- Hida Sanmyaku
- Chugoku Sanchi
- Ou Sanmyaku

**Islands**

- Kyushu
- Hokkaido
- Honshu
- Shikoku

# Map Pre-Test – Answers

Your quiz is Friday.

- **Bodies of Water**

- Korea Strait 4
- South China Sea 2
- Philippine Sea 3
- Pacific Ocean 5
- Sea of Japan 1
- Sea of Okhotsk 6

- **Mountains**

- Kyushu Sanchi 7
- Hida Sanmyaku 8
- Chugoku Sanchi 9
- Ou Sanmyaku 10

- **Islands**

- Kyushu 11
- Hokkaido 12
- Honshu 13
- Shikoku 14

# Geography Shapes Life in Japan

- Read *Geography Shapes Life in Japan* on pages 440 – 441.
  - Using text evidence, explain whether you agree or disagree with the following statement:

“Japan’s culture is completely unique, because it is surrounded by water and has little contact with other cultures.”

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BhSeQxdJw1w&safe=active>



A world map with a red line tracing the Ring of Fire around the Pacific Ocean basin. The map includes labels for major continents and oceans. The title 'Geography Basics' is centered at the top in a large, blue, outlined font.

# Geography Basics

- Japan is an archipelago of more than 6,000 mountainous islands in the Pacific. Only about 400 of the islands are inhabitable.
- Japan is part of the Pacific Ring of Fire. This makes it vulnerable to earthquakes, volcanoes, and deadly tidal waves.
- The mountains make it difficult to farm.
- The people rely heavily on the sea for food.
- The islands helped Japan's people to remain isolated from mainland.
- What are the results of this isolation?
  - This makes it easy to defend.
  - As a result of isolation, different languages and religions developed.

# Exit Ticket

- [Video](#)
- After watching the video...
  - Write a paragraph discussing the benefits and consequences of Japan's location.