Western Europe (World Geog Chapters 15-17	graphy) __	40	Name Class Period	Assignment #	
Chapter 15 1. Identify the following in term a. British Isles	s of how the	ey relation t	o the United King	gdom and Ireland:	
b. Great Britain					
2. What four areas make up the United Kingdom?					
3. Why did London become a located on the coast?	center of tra	ade and cor	nmerce even tho	ugh it is not	
4. What two natural resources Industrial Revolution?	helped Eng	gland becon	ne an industrial p	ower during the	
5. Diagram Skill: English Chan a. What is the nicknam		nel betwee	n France and Enç	gland?	
b. How many miles is th	e tunnel?				
c. Hypothesize at least two reasons why the tunnel was built.					
6. Describe the following featu a. loch	res of the S	cottish land	lscape:	P.C.	
b. moor	b. moor				
c. bog	c. bog				
d. glen	d. glen				
7. How have the Welsh mainta politically united with England		•	even though they	y have been	
8. Describe how the island of I	reland is div	vided in the	following ways:		
Political	R	eligion		Ethnic	
9. What is peat and how is it us	sed as a re	source in Ir	eland?		
10. What was the Reformation	n and how o	did it affect	reland?		

- 11. What is the basis for conflict in Northern Ireland?
- 12. How have glaciers affected the Norden region?
- 13. Define fjord.

14. List at least three characteristics the Norden nations share.

Chapter 16

- 15. How has France tried to insure the purity of their national language?
- 16. Describe (not just list) a cultural achievement in France.
- 17. Why did the communist East German government build the 103 mile long Berlin Wall?
- 18. Why do you think Adolf Hitler was so popular in the 1930s?
- 19. Why was Germany divided after World War II?
- 20. What problem has a declining (aging) population had on Germany?
- 21. What three nations make up the "Benelux" region?
- 22. Define the following.
 - a. dikes
 - b. polder
- 23. Why can it be said that the goal of the Netherlands is to "possess land where water wants to be?



- 25. Why does it make sense geographically for Switzerland to be politically neutral?
- 26. Why has Switzerland been able to have a high standard of living even though it has few natural resources?

Chapter 17

- 27. What is the advantage of Madrid's location as the capital of Spain?
- 28. How did Portugal become one of the most powerful countries in Europe in the 1400s?

Map Skills: Answer the following question using the map on page 353.

- 29. Which European country seems to have controlled the greatest colonial territory.
- 30. Describe (not list) on feature that makes Italy a popular tourist destination.
- 31. What three reasons does the text give for including Greece as part of Western Europe?
- 32. Define graben.
- 33. Now that you have read about Western Europe, list 3 facts you think every 9th grade student should know about the region:

