**Chapter 13 Learning Guide – Urban Patterns**

**Key Issue 4 – *Why Do Suburbs Face Distinctive Challenges?***

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**Urban Expansion**

1. What is *annexation*?
2. What is required before an area can be annexed by a city?
3. In the past, why did peripheral areas *desire* annexation?
4. What has changed?
5. Define *city*:
6. What are the three (3) basic characteristics of a city?
7. Define *urbanized area*:
8. What is the functional area of a city?
9. What does the MSA include?
10. Define *council of government:*
11. What is a Megalopolis?
12. What is the Megalopolis from Boston to D.C. called?

**The Peripheral Model**

1. List the elements of an urban area according to the peripheral model.
2. Complete the table below regarding peripheral areas.

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| Problems They Lack | Problems They Have |
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1. Define *edge city:*
2. Describe the *density gradient* of an urban area.
3. In what two (2) ways has the density gradient changed in recent years?
4. Define *sprawl:*
5. What is meant by the statement: the “*periphery of U.S. cities looks like Swiss cheese”*?
6. What has prevented the peripheries of European cities from looking like Swiss cheese?
7. What is *smart growth*?
8. Describe how “smart growth” laws have been designed in the following states?

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| Maryland | Oregon & Tennessee |
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**Suburban Segregation**

1. In what two (2) ways are suburban areas segregated?
2. What is a *zoning ordinance*?
3. What is the strongest criticism of U.S. suburbs?

**Transportation & Suburbanization**

1. Fill in the flow chart describing how developments in transportation affected the residential pattern of American cities.

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| Pedestrian Phase | 🡪 🡪 🡪 | Streetcar Phase | 🡪 🡪 🡪 | Automobile Phase |
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1. Identify two (2) ways in which the U.S. Government has encouraged the use of motor vehicles by its citizens.
2. What is *rush hour* and how much of a city’s traffic does it account for?
3. List four (4) ways in which public transportation is better than an automobile.
4. Briefly describe what has happened (or is happening) to each of the following modes of public transportation in U.S. cities.

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| Trolleys |  |
| Buses |  |
| Rapid Transit (subway & fixed rail line) |  |