



## AP Human Geography

### The World Urban Hierarchy Questions

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Directions: Read the article “The World Urban Hierarchy: Implications for Cities, Top to Bottom” and answer the following questions.

#### Thought Questions

1. What does David Smith mean by a “world city (aka Global Cities)” What role do they play in the global system?
2. How do this global cities create a network of inter-national relations and connections?
3. Despite different methods of ranking cities, which cities tend to typically prove to be “dominant” in the urban hierarchy? Which regions primarily have high numbers of cities in the higher rankings of the urban hierarchy?
4. How does David Smith support his claim that “All cities today are world cities?”
5. What is the value of applying rankings to different cities according to their place in the urban hierarchy? What makes up the core? The Periphery?