

MORA

Mini-research: Asian Country focus - Spring 2015

**VALUE:** 55 points -- Keynote Presentation, 15 points – presentation to class = **70 points total**

**DUE DATE: Friday, April 10th**

**TASK:** Using the criteria listed below, create an 11-slide Keynote Presentation focused on an Asian country. Class presentations will begin on Monday, April 13th.

**RESOURCES:** *CIA World Factbook*: <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/index.html>,

*Countries and Their Cultures*: <http://www.everyculture.com/index.html>, *COUNTRYREPORTS*: <https://www.countryreports.org/user.htm?xCmd=eNpLtDK0qi62MrdSSkxOzi%2FgK1GyLrYytVIyMjA1MlayrgUAnuMJIA%3D%3D> (username: [mora@4j.lane.edu](mailto:mora@4j.lane.edu) password: finalproject)

### **REQUIREMENTS:**

- SLIDE ONE: Title page  
name of Country, your name, visual image --map
- SLIDE TWO: The People  
-- Statistics: Population, Life Expectancy, Ethnic Groups, Religions, Languages, Government  
-- at least one visual image
- SLIDE THREE: The People  
-- Food/Native dishes & Festivals and Holidays  
-- at least one visual image
- SLIDE FOUR: Cultural Topic of your choice (ABCs of culture)  
-- at least one visual image
- SLIDE FIVE: The Place  
-- Statistics: Climate, Natural Hazards, Agricultural Products, Natural Resources, Industries  
-- at least one visual image
- SLIDE SIX: The Place  
-- Places of Interest/Attractions (at least 2 places)  
-- at least one visual image
- SLIDE SEVEN: The Place  
-- List of native animals and plants (limit it to the top 5 if necessary)  
-- at least one visual image
- SLIDE EIGHT: Compared to the United States  
-- List at least 3 differences and 3 similarities between the two countries  
-- at least one visual image
- SLIDE NINE: 1 of the 7 Characteristics of Culture  
— Apply 1 of the 7 Characteristics of Culture to the dominant culture of the country; analyze  
— at least one visual image  
(Learned, From generation to generation, Dynamic, Adaptive, Integrated, Based on Symbols, Ethnocentric)
- SLIDE TEN: Commentary  
-- Personal observations and questions  
-- at least one visual image
- SLIDE ELEVEN: Conclusion  
-- “Thank you” or open it up to questions from the audience with “Questions?”  
-- at least one visual image

**\*\* Special effects are not required!! NO sound effects please! Please do not waste time determining background color, effects for images, slides, text, etc. Content first, then style! \*\*\***

What is culture? Everything, from A to Z!

## The ABCs of Culture

We do not have a category for either "customs" or "values."

Customs exist in nearly every category.

Values exist in many categories, especially religion.

**A**rt & Literature - What artforms (painting, music) and literary forms (novel, drama) are typical of this culture?

**B**uildings - What building (monument, statue, structure) symbolizes this culture?

**C**ommunication & Transportation - How is information spread? How does the average person get around?

**D**ress - What clothing is typical of this culture?

**E**conomy - What drives this economy . . . farms, factories, or services? What is the biggest employer?

**F**amily - What is the status of women and children? How well are women and children treated?

**G**overnment - Who has power? How is the average citizen connected to the government?

**H**istory - What major event shaped this culture?

**I**con - What images cause an immediate emotional response in nearly every person?

**J**obs -How does the average person make a living?

**K**nowledge - How is knowledge (skills, habits, values, attitudes) passed from one generation to the next?

**L**anguage - What language do people speak?

**M**ovement & Migration - Who moves into and out of this culture?

**N**ational pride - What people, places, or things spark feelings of loyalty and patriotism?

**O**rganizations - In this culture, what are the most important organizations (formal and informal)?

**P**opulation - What groups (age, race, religion, language, ethnic group) shape the culture?

**Q**uality of life - Rate the average person's health and happiness.

**R**eligion - What are the religious beliefs and values? What are the traditional holidays, festivals, ceremonies?

**S**tatus - What groups (racial, ethnic, religious, cultural, professional) have high and low status?

**T**aboos - What behavior is totally unacceptable?

**U**rban or Rural - Do most people live in the city or the countryside?

**V**acation & Recreation - What do people do for fun? What are the sports?

**W**ays of everyday life - In this culture, how do people take care of cooking, shopping, washing clothes?

**X**marks the spot - How does geography shape the culture?

**Y**um - What does the typical family eat for breakfast, lunch and dinner? This culture is famous for what food?

**Z**uff - What stuff is typical? (You know, like chopsticks in China.)