

Geographic Inquiry Process



Step	What to do
1. Ask a geographic question	Ask a question about spatial relationships in the world around you
2. Acquire geographic resources	Identify data and information that you need to answer your question
3. Explore geographic data	Turn the data into maps, tables, and graphs, and look for patterns and relationships
4. Analyze geographic information	Determine what the patterns and relationships mean with respect to your question
5. Act on geographic knowledge	Use the results of your work to educate, make a decision, or solve a problem