Dear History 7 Student,

The information you are about to receive is classified as TOP SECRET by the U.S. Government.

Last year, a group of Americans witnessed an incident involving an international organization. Those individuals testified against the perpetrators in court and many of the guilty are now incarcerated. Unfortunately, other members of the organization avoided prosecution and are now at large. The top item on their agenda: locating the witnesses who put their colleagues in jail.

The Americans have been placed in the International Witness Protection Program, which protects witnesses before, during, and after testifying at a trial by moving them to a secret location and giving them new identities. Because of the delicate nature of this particular incident, we are taking zero chances and going to relocate the Americans somewhere nobody will ever think to look... with indigenous (native to particular location) societies around the world.

Our confidential informant at Hopkins has informed us that YOU are qualified to inform these witnesses about the geography of the region where they will be staying until we catch the criminals. It is also imperative that the witnesses know a little bit about how people in this location live so they can blend in!

Here is the catch: Since this Mission is TOP SECRET and you have not earned a security clearance yet, you will have to use your knowledge of geography and maps to make predictions about how people in this location live, without actually knowing who the indigenous people are...
Here is your mission, and you shall choose to accept it:

You and a colleague will be given several maps of a geographic location to analyze:

You will then make predictions about the answers to the following questions:

1. Which areas might have been more heavily populated? Would this region, overall, have been able to support a large population? How might people have moved around?
2. What kinds of dwellings might people have lived in? What might these dwellings have been made from? What might they have been shaped like?
3. What kinds of clothes might people have worn? What might they have been made from?
4. What sorts of products/crafts might people in this area have made?
5. What might have been the principal values of the people in this area? What might they have believed in or worshipped?
6. How might people have organized themselves in this area? What might the government, social classes, or family structure have been like?
7. What challenges might these people have faced based on their geography? What innovations/technologies might they have developed to combat those challenges?
8. Who might these people have interacted with? What shape might that interaction have taken?

If you make good predictions, you will be granted TOP SECRET clearance at our next meeting and receive further instructions for your next assignment...

If you have any specific questions about the Mission, you can email me directly at agentimity@gmail.com. Day to day operations can be handled by Mrs. Belbita, though she’ll likely need my guidance.

Until next time,

Agt. Imity