**Social Studies**

**Topic:** Themes of Geography

**Instruction**: Select a family member who has migrated to the United States from another country or has migrated from another part of the United States to New York and respond to the questions below. You may use the internet, books, or ask a relative to assist you to answer the questions.

* How is the person you have selected related to you: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Which country/state did this person migrate from? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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| **Themes** | **Questions** |
| **Location****Position on the Earth's Surface (Absolute/Relative)**. | **What is the absolute location of the country you have named? ( give the latitude and longitude, hemisphere, and or grid system)****What specific part of this country did your relative live? ( Example: Havana, Cuba)****Which countries are close to the country named? ( use miles, direction, and or distance to tell where this country is from others)** |
| **Place**Place refers to the physical and human aspects of a location | What are some of the most known physical aspects of this country ( rivers, mountains, climate, vegetation)What are some cultural characteristics found there? (language, unique buildings, religious practice, celebrations, traditions, holidays) |
| **Movement**Refers to the translocation of human beings, their goods, and their ideas from one end of the planet to another. | What means of transportation did your relative use to get to the United States? What did s/he bring with them? How does this person communicate with relatives they left in their home country or state? What major idea or custom was brought to the United States from this country? |
| **Region** is composed of places with a unifying/similar characteristics | Which formal region is the country your relative is from? (Example- tropics, Central America, West Indies, Caribbean)What is the main function of this area? ( specific purpose it serves)When people talk about the area what feelings or stereotypes usually are associated with it? (What do they say about it?) |
| **Human environment Interaction**The ways in which humans, depend, adapt, and modify their surroundings. | How do people in your relative’s country interact with the environment (give a positive and negative effects) In other words, what are some of the things they do to protect and harm the environment? What changes did your family member have to make when s/he migrated to the United States? How is it different from this person’s home country? |
| **Teachers Comment/ Feedback** |  |

Please be mindful, that this is the information gathering part of the Social Studies Project that you will be given next week. Do your BEST!