What is Geography? - A Visualization Exercise

Geography is the study of the earth's landscapes, peoples, places and environments. It is, quite simply, about the world in which we live.

Draw a picture of what geography means to you.

Human geography concerns the understanding of how people live, whereas physical geography concerns the understanding of physical landscapes and the environment.

List some things that come to mind about you to distinguish human and physical geography.

Geography puts the understanding of humans and their physical world within the context of places and regions. Geography focuses on the differences in cultures, political systems, economies, landscapes and environments across the world.

Examine A, B & C on the map.

- 1. How might these places differ?
- 2. How might the people in these places differ?
- 3. In what ways may the people in these places be alike?

