

D7 HW Option A - Earthcache Assignment! Due: D10

As we discussed in class, **location** is an important part of history and geography. One activity that relies heavily on the concept of both location and geography is called **geocaching**. One special type of geocache is called an **Earthcache**, which are unique in that they focus on a **geography / geology lesson**, and **there actually is no container to find**. You simply go to the right spot, read the cache description, and use your observational skills to learn something new!



1. Go to www.geocaching.com and sign up for a free account! Tell me the username that you created (if you have one already, use that one!):

2. Watch this video on downloading a free app to help you for android here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2ZmTl5Ijz_0. Here's an intro if you are using an iPhone:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3Aq7Yvp444Y>. You may want to print the cache description info so that you have that information, questions, etc. in printed form. Plus you can take notes on the paper! After you have installed the app, do the following:

A. Check for nearby earthcaches. Which one did you decide to go after? Make sure to mention the unique code, which starts with GC____, for example: GC5EFPR, GC1W7BF, GC1EN3E, GC19HC1, GC4ZGWB, GC4ZGXE, GC282R6, GC3Y77R, GC516WG, GC2CR2A, GC17TD1, GC40Z17, GC18P7H, GC1785W, GC1B9WW, GC5FW6V, GC5F2CW, GC1804V, GC2DACE, GC2D5FY, etc.

B. Why did you decide to go after this particular Earthcache?

Note: Make sure that before you go, you pick a relatively easy one in regards to "Terrain Rating" and "Difficulty Rating". As this is most your first try at a geocache, don't overdo it.

3. After making the attempt with your smartphone, answer the following questions:

A. What did the Earthcache site describe? What were the questions you were asked? Include your answers here! Describe your experience!

B. List at least 2 new things that you learned (OR questions you would like answered) after visiting this Earthcache.