Chapter 32:
Canada and the World Community

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Why are international relations important?

• maintain peace, support
• trade (economy)
• foreign aid (natural disasters, wars)
• travel

• communication
• culture
Why is developing and maintaining international relations easier than ever before?

Communication by phone and the internet allows a level of contact in the world that is faster, easier, and cheaper than ever before.

The result is a more closely connected “global village”.

Speaking of villages...what if the world were only 100 people?
1. http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yfGolV5TfQ&feature=related
Grouping Countries

- countries can be grouped based on the following criteria:
  - life expectancy
  - education level
  - healthcare
  - food supply
  - wealth (GDP* per capita)
  - natural increase rate

*GDP: total value of goods and services a country produces in a year per person
DEVELOPING

- economies dominated by primary industries, mostly farming
- service sector is poorly developed
- citizens earn little income
- citizens do not pay taxes
- high death rate and high birth rate

- examples: Bolivia, Algeria, Chile, Jamaica, Russia
NEWLY INDUSTRIALIZING

- transitioning from developing into developed
- service industry is increasing, improving the standard of living
- low death rate and high birth rate

- examples: India, Brazil, Mexico, Thailand, China
DEVELOPED

- highest standard of living
- industries based on service sector
- well developed education, healthcare, banking, transportation, technology
- include 20% of the world’s population and produces most of the world’s pollution
- low death rate and low birth rate

- examples: USA, Canada, Australia, Italy, United Kingdom
Stages of Growth

Birth/death rates

Stage 1  Stage 2  Stage 3  Stage 4

Time

Birth rate

Natural increase

Death rate
LIMITATIONS

- what does “progress” and “development” really mean? i.e. if GDP increases, does that mean so does quality of life?
- only 3 groups for a huge variety of countries
- assumes a country’s level of economic and social development is the same throughout the pop’n