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# Chapter 1: Pennsylvania Geography Essay

**Directions:** *Through the last couple weeks we have learned the basic geography of Pennsylvania that includes regions, climate, water forms, and even natural resources. To further your knowledge on the content, please select one of the below topics to research and write about. Feel free to use the below outline as a guide to your writing. However, you do not need to only limit yourself to the below outline. Be creative and don't be afraid to ask questions! Always use topic sentences to tell the reader what your paragraph is about and keep your essay organized. You should explain details or use examples for the reader to understand the message you are trying. Good luck and remember to select one of the three below items to research and write about.*

**1. Alternatives to Fossil Fuels**

- a. Introduction Paragraph
- b. Background on Fossil Fuels and potential “cons”
- c. Alternatives to Fossil Fuels and potential benefits
- d. Reflection/Opinion (Should we use Fossil Fuels or Alternatives or both? Explain)
- e. Conclusion Paragraph

**2. Deforestation: Impacts and Dangers**

- a. Introduction Paragraph
- b. Background on Deforestation
- c. Pros/Cons of Deforestation
- d. Reflection/Opinion
- e. Conclusion Paragraph

**3. Fracking: Impacts and Dangers**

- a. Introduction Paragraph
- b. Background on Fracking
- c. Pros/Cons of Fracking
- d. Reflection/Opinion
- e. Conclusion Paragraph

***\*Make sure to use sources properly with footnotes\****