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It’s in the Numbers!!!!

Your job is to work on a committee to compare life in different regions of the United States. People will use your information when deciding in which part of the country they want to live.

Step 1:

* Choose one state from each of the five geographic regions of the country. Examples of possible states in each region are listed. Use the resources provided to decide which state you will research.
* The geographic regions are:
	+ Northeast:
	+ Southeast:
	+ Midwest:
	+ Southwest:
	+ West:

Step 2:

* Using appropriate resources, record the information required to complete your data chart.
* Resources such as the Internet, Atlases, Almanacs, and Encyclopedias provide excellent current data.
* Suggested websites for Internet research include:
	+ <http://www.census.gov/schools/facts>
	+ <http://www.ers.usda.gov/statefacts/>
	+ <http://statemaster.com/index.php>
	+ <http://lwf.ncdc.noaa.gov/oa/climate/online/ccd/nrmlprcp.html>
	+ <http://www.allcountries.org/uscensus/411_normal_monthly_and_annual_precipitation_selected.html>

Step 3:

* Answer the questions provided using the data charts on your own notebook paper. Explain your answers thoroughly using complete sentences and correct math vocabulary.

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Use your data table and resources to support your answer.

1. If someone wanted to live in a region with a large population, which region would you recommend to them and why?

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1. If someone wanted to live in a region that didn’t rain much, which region would you recommend to them and why?

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1. If someone wanted to live in a region that had lots of space in which to move around without a lot of people (low population density), which region would you recommend to them and why?

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1. Which two regions seem most like each other? How do you know?

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1. In which region would you prefer to live? Explain why, using the data you collected.

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1. Write ALL of the exact data for one state in expanded form and word form.

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