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## **Geospatial Revolution**

The location of anything is becoming everything

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The Geospatial Revolution examines the world of digital mapping and how it is changing the way we think, behave, and interact. Geospatial information influences nearly everything. Seamless layers of satellites, surveillance, and location-based technologies create a worldwide geographic knowledge base vital to the interconnected global community. The Geospatial Revolution explores compelling human stories that explain the history, applications, related privacy issues, and impact of location-based technologies including GPS and GIS. The video episodes are useful for teaching history, social studies, geography, environment and ecology, science and technology, and for learning about career development.

## **VOCABULARY**

Term	Part of Speech	Definition
coordinates	noun	a set of numbers giving the precise location of a point, often its latitude and longitude.
database	noun	a collection of information for analysis and interpretation.
geographic information system (GIS)	noun	any system for capturing, storing, checking, and displaying data related to positions on the Earth's surface.
geography	noun	study of places and the relationships between people and their environments.
Global Positioning System (GPS)	noun	system of satellites and receiving devices used to determine the location of something on Earth.
GPS receiver	noun	device that gets radio signals from satellites in orbit above Earth in order to calculate a precise location.
location	noun	position of a particular point on the surface of the Earth.
map	noun	symbolic representation of selected characteristics of a place, usually drawn on a flat surface.
remote sensing	noun	methods of information-gathering about the Earth's surface from a distance.
render	verb	to make, or cause to become.

## For Further Exploration

## **Websites**

- Geospatial Semester
- Geospatial Revolution Project



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