**Intro to Geography Vocabulary**

**Geography**- the study of our Earth

**Geographer**- someone who studies the Earth from many different view points

**5 Themes of Geography**-Place, Region, Human-Environment Interaction, Location and Movement

**Absolute location**- describes the place’s exact position on the Earth

**Relative Location**- explains where a place is by describing places near it

**Globe**- a round ball that represents the Earth

**Scale**- size

**Distortion**- a change in accuracy of the shapes and distances of places

**Compass Rose**- model of a compass which tells the cardinal directions (N,S,E,W)

**Scale**- on a map it tells you the relative distance on the map to the real world

**Key**- or legend, on a map explains what the symbols on a map represent

**Grids**- usually latitude and longitude lines, letters and numbers are used to help you find a location