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Kurzvorstellung:

- Bereits seit dem Bestehen des Lagers sorgt es immer wieder für Schlagzeilen wegen möglicher Verstöße gegen die Menschenrechte sowie das internationale Völkerrecht. Dieses Material bietet einleitende und weiterführende Denkanstöße, Aufgaben und Texte rund um das Gefängnis, seine Entstehung und seine Rolle in der Politik Obamas. Zusätzlich wird das sensible Thema Folter für eine Diskussion aufbereitet.
- Dieses englischsprachige Arbeitsblatt für den direkten Einsatz im Englischunterricht in der Sekundarstufe bietet Ihren Schülern Hintergrundinformationen und Diskussionsgrundlage, um die Anti-Terror-Politik der USA am konkreten Beispiel Guantánamo Bay kritisch zu diskutieren.

Inhaltsübersicht:

- Drei einführende Aufgaben zu Guantánamos Lage und Ruf
- Ein kurzer historischer Abriss des Guantánamo Bay Naval Camp mit Aufgaben
- Obamas Guantánamo-Politik
- Folter in Guantánamo und Computerspielen im Vergleich

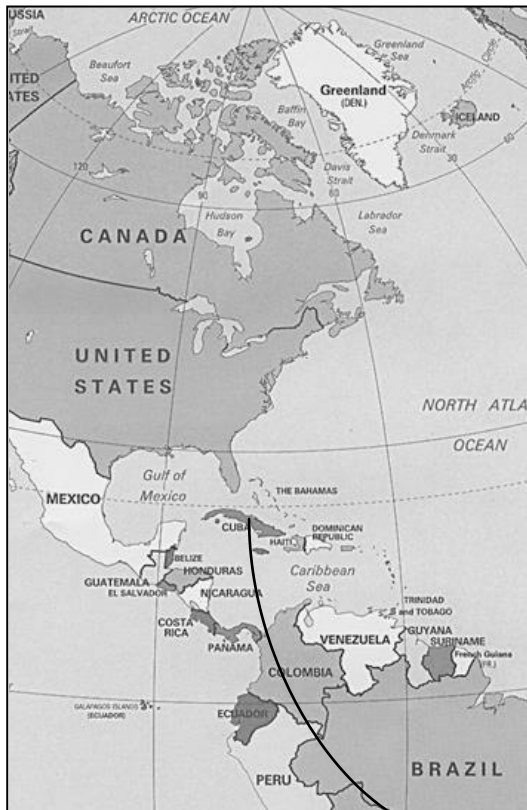


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Task 3) Where are Cuba and Guantánamo?

Describe the geographic location of Cuba and Guantánamo Bay with the help of the two maps. The words in the box will help you!



north/east/west/south of...
 to be located/situated
 near/far away from...
 between ... and ...
 continent
 island
 ...



Task 5) Obama promising to close down Guantánamo prison

- a) *Read the text about Obama's not yet fulfilled promise to close Guantánamo prison and compare it with the official statement from Obama's desk.*

Guantanamo Bay: Still Open, Despite Promises

WASHINGTON, July 3, 2012

By MATT NEGRIN, ABC news



"In that interview in November 2008, Kroft asked Obama if he planned to "take early action" to shut down Guantanamo. Obama replied, "Yes." "I have said repeatedly that I intend to close Guantanamo, and I will follow through on that," he said. After three and a half years as president, Obama has not done so. Shortly after being sworn in, Obama did sign an executive order that required that the Guantanamo prison be closed within a year. "The detention facilities at Guantánamo for individuals covered by this order shall be closed as soon as practicable, and no later than 1 year from the date of this order," read the statement he signed on Jan. 22, 2009. At the end of that year, in December, with Guantanamo still open and running, Obama accepted the Nobel Peace Prize. He said in his acceptance speech: "I believe the United States of America must remain a standard bearer in the conduct of war. That is what makes us different from those whom we fight. That is a source of our strength." "That is why I prohibited torture," he added. "That is why I ordered the prison at Guantanamo Bay closed." Five days later, Obama issued a memo that directed the defense secretary and the attorney general to prepare a prison in Illinois for the Guantanamo detainees. The deadline in Obama's executive order passed, and still he hadn't shut down the prison. In March 2011, two years after he signed the order, Obama signed another executive order. This one set up a review process for detainees. The document sought to "establish, as a discretionary matter, a process to review on a periodic basis the executive branch's continued, discretionary exercise of existing detention authority in individual cases."

Statement by President Barack Obama March 7, 2011**The White House****Office of the Press Secretary**

"From the beginning of my Administration, the United States has worked to bring terrorists to justice consistent with our commitment to protect the American people and uphold our values. Today, I am announcing several steps that broaden our ability to bring terrorists to justice, provide oversight for our actions, and ensure the humane treatment of detainees. I strongly believe that the American system of justice is a key part of our arsenal in the war against al Qaeda and its affiliates, and we will continue to draw on all aspects of our justice system – including Article III Courts – to ensure that our security and our values are strengthened. Going forward, all branches of government have a responsibility to come together to forge a strong and durable approach to defend our nation and the values that define who we are as a nation."

b) Role play: Call a press conference between President Obama, his ministers and the international press to discuss why Guantánamo prison still exists! Decide in class, who is going to embody Obama, his minister of war, his press secretary and additional staff, and who is going to be a newsperson for a British, German, French, Spanish and Japanese newspaper. Pick the respective role card and prepare for the press conference.

ROLE CARD: PRESIDENT OBAMA AND HIS SUPPORTERS



You decided to be one of the American politicians of Obama's government or Obama himself. Congratulations! 😊 Now it is your task to think up reasons why Guantánamo still holds prisoners and why it has not been closed yet. To prepare for your role, gather all helpful information you have on Guantánamo and Obama's politics. Use the statement from March 7, 2011 as well. Try to imagine what questions the press might ask and prepare good answers beforehand!

Notes for the press conference:

ROLE CARD: INTERNATIONAL PRESS



You decided to be a member of the international press, whether working for a political magazine or a radio station. Congratulations! 😊 Now it is your task to think up investigative questions to find out why Guantánamo is not closed yet. You may like to include questions about the human rights of prisoners and international humanitarian law.

Notes for the press conference:



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