

Agenda

May 14

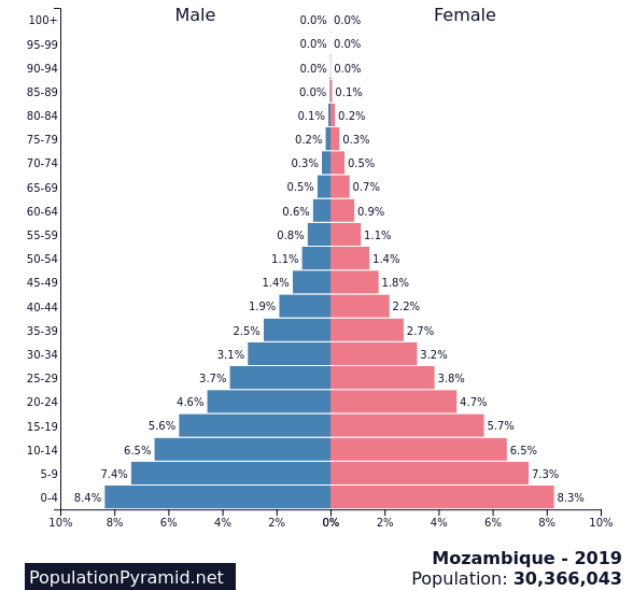
Learning target: Identify factors that interfere with development.

Work Session: Power point
(notes on own)

Close: Decision making activity

Barriers to Economic Development

- Social welfare / social conditions
 - High dependency ratio (more dependents than workers)
 - Low number of doctors per patient
 - low levels of literacy
 - gender bias in education and employment





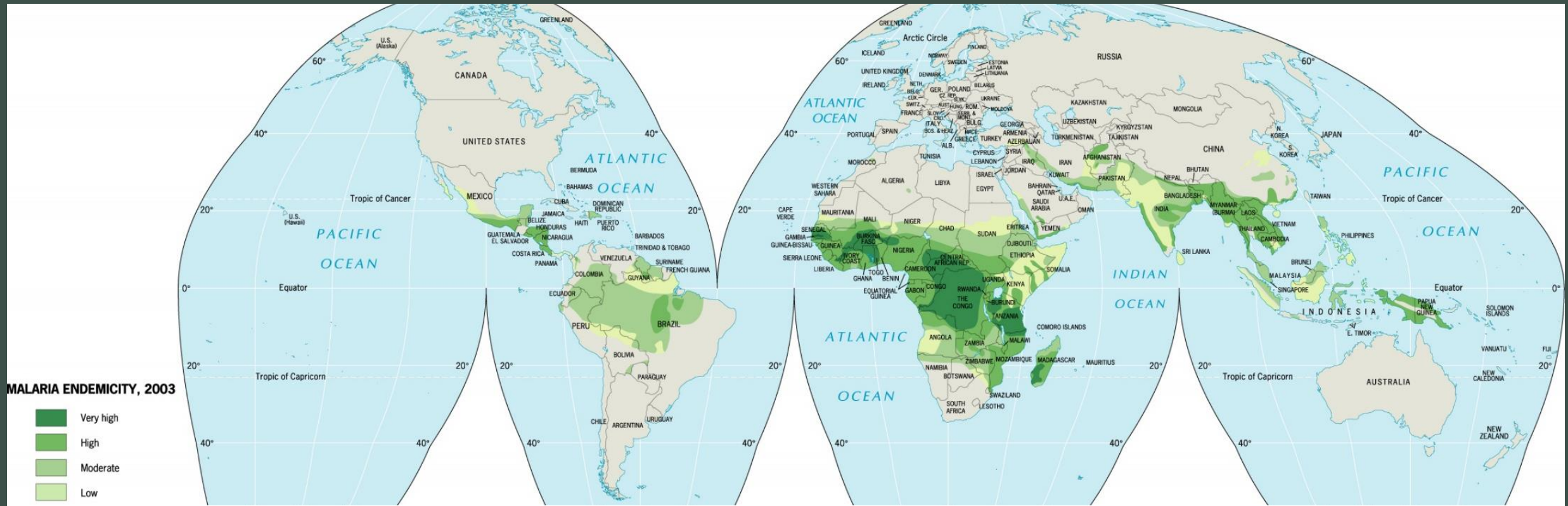
Barriers to Economic Development

- Political Instability
 - governments unstable in former colonies
 - groups competing for political power / ethnic conflict or competition
 - government corruption
 - internal or external war

Barriers to Economic Development

- Widespread disease
 - poor sanitation (water, sewage)
 - lack access to health care
 - higher disease potential in low latitudes due to hot, humid environment





Global Distribution of Malaria Transmission Risk

Note that malaria, just one disease, is more prevalent among countries at lower latitudes (near the equator) and kills 150,000 children EACH MONTH

Barriers to Economic Development



- Foreign Debt
 - poor countries often borrow money for development
 - loans carry high interest rates and difficult to pay off

Barriers to Economic Development

- Site (place characteristics)
 - availability of natural resources for industrial development
 - arable (good) soils for farming
 - climate conditions
 - access to clean water source



Barriers to Economic Development



- Situational factors
 - good harbors
 - ocean access
 - access to reliable trade networks
 - navigable rivers

Barriers to Economic Development

- Miscellaneous
 - poor farming base with manual labor, small plots
 - natural disasters
 - desertification / deforestation



Assignment



- Choose 1 barrier to economic development that you think must be addressed first to encourage development
- Explain why it must be addressed in 2-3 sentences
- Submit by end of day May 15