**EXAMPLE #1 - Describing my Family with the 5 Themes of Geography**

Location

 We live in Los Angeles, CA. The name of the city is Pacoima. It is next to San Fernando and Arleta. Pacoima is exactly at 34.2625° N and 118.4270° W.

Place

It is a mostly Hispanic community. People speak a lot of English as well as a lot of Spanish. Lots of people who live here, as well as my family are Catholic. Everywhere you look you can see mountains, because we like in the San Fernando Valley. The climate is really mostly good year round. Not too hot or too cold. Everywhere you look you can see trees on the sidewalks, gardens in people’s houses. There is wildlife all around. All kinds of birds, insects, bugs, and wild life from the mountains and the wooded areas come out often. People have pets like us. We have a dog, two bunnies, a fish, and birds too. This is a good place to live.

Human Environment Interaction

Our house is very green. We have all kinds of regular trees and fruit trees outside. We recycle aluminum cans as well as plastic. We like to go to the beaches and the rivers close by. When it is hot we wear clothes for the heat and when is cold we wear warmer clothes, like sweaters and jackets.

Movement

We are a multi-car family. We have 2 cars, a truck, and an SUV. We like to travel a lot but only here in California. We drive a lot. When we visit family in Mexico we go in a plane. Most in my family have a cell phone. We also have a land line. I have a computer as well as internet access.

Region

We live in an area in Los Angeles’ called San Fernando Valley. It is called Pacoima. We are located in southern California on the west coast of the USA. The cities next to us are San Fernando, Arleta, Sun Valley, and Sylmar just to name a few.