ORIGIN OF FOLK AND POPULAR CULTURE

This section looks at the origin and diffusion of specific examples of both folk and popular culture. Specifically examined examples of folk culture are FOLK MUSIC and AMISH CULTURE. Examples used to illustrate popular culture are POPULAR MUSIC and SOCCER.

1. List elements of the origin and characteristics of FOLK MUSIC.
2. List elements of the origin and diffusion of POPULAR MUSIC.
3. Shade and label the hearths of country music in the US and label the location of the origin of popular music with a dot.
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THE AMISH

4. Where did Amish culture originate and how did it diffuse to the United States?

5. In what ways is Amish culture distinct from the popular culture of the United States?

What is happening to the Amish in the United States today?

6. Identify Amish core areas (larger settlements) and then use dots and arrows to indicate the spread of Amish culture throughout a larger region.

7. How was soccer transformed from a folk custom into popular culture?

8. Despite their anonymous folk origins, what characteristics of organized spectator sports today characterize them as popular culture?

9. Draw a small graphic in the space below to link popular sports with the countries in which they are most popular and with which they are best associated.