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Homework 2 - Cultural Geography - Commodity Chains

Create a Commodity Chain for thee items. First, find a pair of Jeans in your closet and do the chain of how and where each component was made.

1. Fabric _____
2. Buttons _____
3. Zipper _____
4. Thread _____
5. Assembly _____
6. Warehouse distribution _____
7. Place of Purchase _____
8. Corporate Headquarters _____

Next, check with your green grocer and find out what fruit in the store has come from the farthest reaches:

9. Fruit _____
10. Grown where? _____
11. Arrived via (train, truck, airplane?) _____
12. Warehouse distribution _____
13. Place of Purchase _____

Finally, look at your favorite processed food. This can be coffee, tea, soft drinks, or boxed foods, or even chips. Where did this come from?

14. Food item _____
15. Grown (created?) where? _____
16. Processed where? _____
17. Package created/ printed where? _____
18. Final assembly? _____
19. Good until what date? _____
20. Arrived via (train, truck, airplane?) _____

Draw out your Commodity Chain in three different colors, one for jeans, one for fresh produce, and one for processed food.

