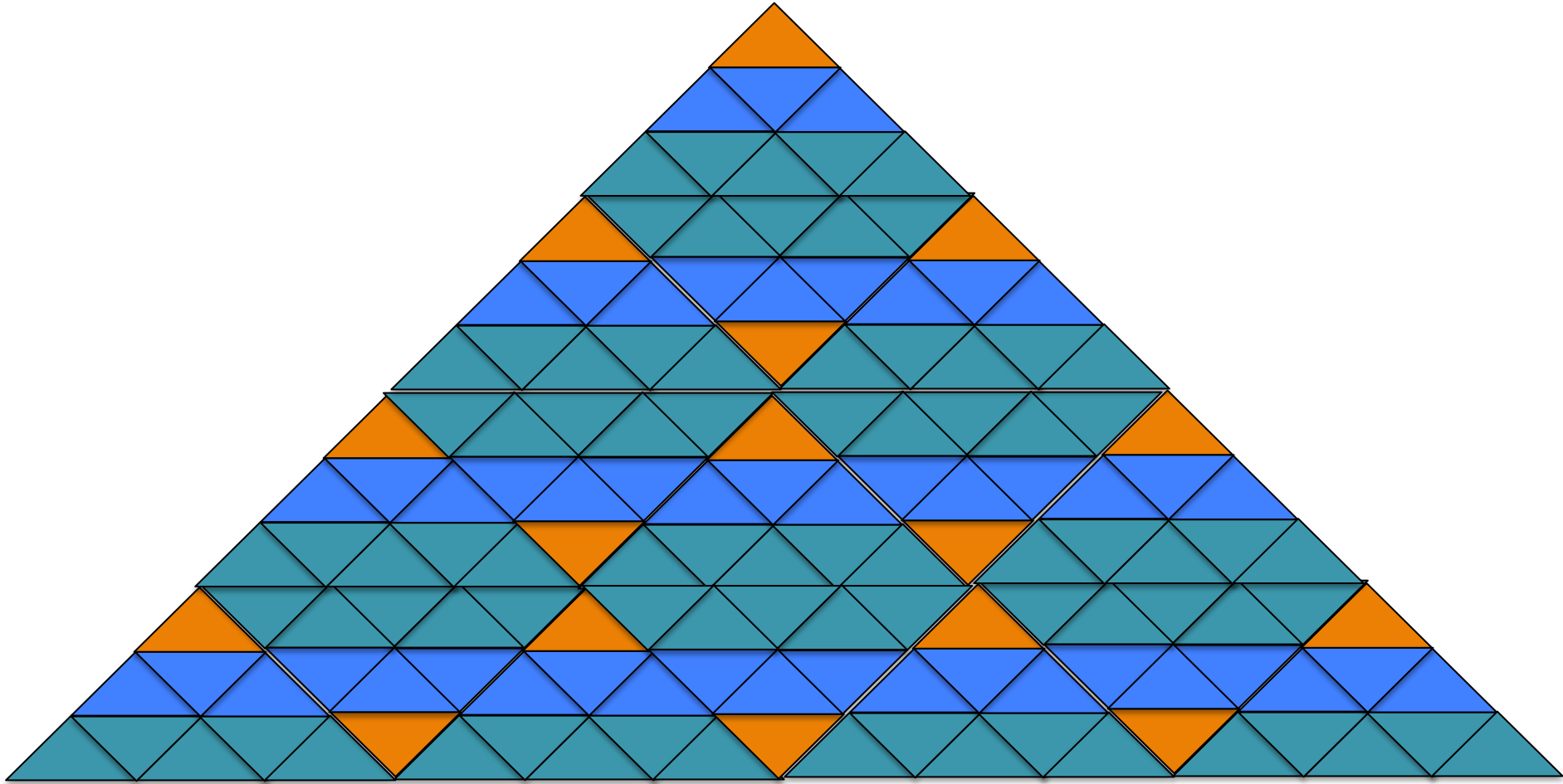


# Post-Western Pyramid



**Purpose:** Central Asia is an unfamiliar place to many people, and the countries, place names, and people can be hard to keep track of. This is quiz game designed to test and reinforce students' knowledge of the region.

# Instructions for Teacher

## Setup:

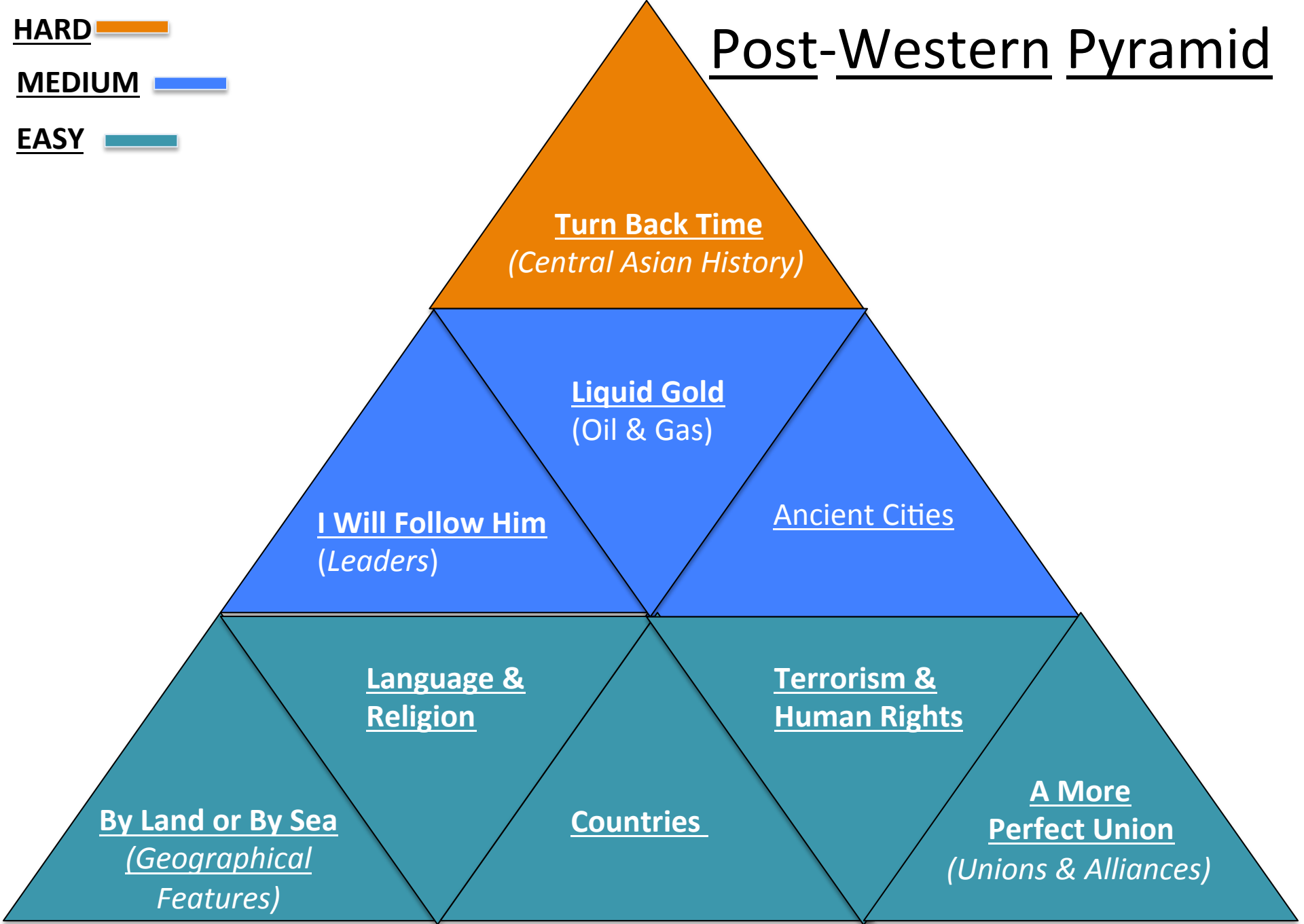
- The teacher should pick six categories: Three “easy,” two “medium,” and one “hard.” See “Possible Categories” below for examples.
- Write the six categories on the board in the form of a pyramid: Three “easy” category names on the bottom, two “medium” category names in the middle, and one “hard” category at the top.
- Each category contains 4 terms that should be hidden from the class until they are used. Depending on available class time, not all terms have to be used. Again, see below for examples.
- Divide the class into two competing teams.

# To Play

- The first team chooses a category, and then chooses two players to represent them.
- Player 1 is given the list of terms (that are unknown to player 2) and, without using any of the actual terms on the list, must describe each one so Player 2 can guess the term (similar to the game Taboo)
- Player 2 has 20 seconds to guess all 4 terms. The team gets one point for each term correctly guessed.
- *For example, within the Category “By Land or By Sea” (Central Asian Geography) Player 1 must describe the term Aral Sea so that player 2 can guess it. So player 1 might say, “Body of water. Borders Uzbekistan. Water is being rapidly depleted.” If Player 2 correctly guesses “Aral Sea,” their team scores a point and Player 1 moves on to the next term.*
- If player 2 does not know the answer he/she may pass and can return to it if time permits.
- When time is up or all items have been guessed, that category is closed and the other team gets a chance to play with a different category.

EASY	MEDIUM	HARD
<u>By Land or By Sea</u> -Aral Sea -Caspian Sea -steppe -Central Asia	<u>Ancient Cities</u> -Samarkand -Turkestan -Tashkent -Bukhara	<u>Central Asian History</u> -Timur the Lame -Silk Road -Marco Polo -Timurid Empire
<u>Countries 1</u> -Kazakhstan -Uzbekistsan -Russia -United States	<u>Leaders</u> -Islam Karimov -Vladimir Putin -Almazbek Atambayev -Emomalii Rahmon	<u>Landscape</u> -Ryn Desert -Tien-Shan Mountains -Rogun Dam -Lake Balqash
<u>Countries 2</u> -Kyrgyzstan -Tajikistan -Kyrgyzstan -China	<u>Leaders 2</u> -Nursultan Nazarbayev -Barack Obama -Xi Jinping -Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedow	
<u>Terrorism and Human Rights</u> -Andijan Massacre -NDN <small>(Northern Distribution Network)</small> -War on Terror -Uygur	<u>Fruits of Labor</u> -Kyrgyzgaz -Gazprom -Uzbek Cotton -KazMunayGaz	
<u>A More Perfect Union: Alliances &amp; Unions</u> -NATO <small>(North Atlantic Treaty Organization)</small> -CSTO <small>(Collective Security Treaty Organization)</small> -SCO <small>(Shanghai Cooperation Organization)</small> -CIS <small>(Commonwealth of Independent States)</small>		
<u>Language and Religion</u> -Cyrillic -Islam -Orthodoxy -Turkic		

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HARD 

MEDIUM 

EASY 

By Land or By Sea- Easy

Steppe

Central Asia

Aral Sea

Caspian Sea

Countries I- Easy

Kazakhstan

Uzbekistan

United States

Russia

Countries II- Easy

Turkmenistan

Kyrgyzstan

Tajikistan

China

Terrorism & Human Rights

Andijan

Human Rights

**NDN**

(Northern Distribution  
Network)

War on Terror

Language and Religion

Cyrillic

Islam

Orthodoxy

Turkic

Alliances and Unions

NATO

CSTO

SCO

CIS

I Will Follow Him

Islam Karimov

Vladimir Putin

Almazbek  
Atambayev

Emomalii  
Rahmon

Liquid Gold

Kyrgyzgaz

Gazprom

Uzbek Cotton

KazMunayGaz

Turn Back Time

Timur the Lame

Silk Road

Marco Polo

Timurid Empire