Welcome to Our “Black Gold” Discussion

Please keep your press pass on your desk and have the following out on your desk:

- Essential Question PowerPoint
- Newscast Project Packet
- Geography Alive! Book opened to page 358
- “Black Gold” Note Sheet

Please have your NAME on all new materials!
Welcome to our first “Black Gold” Discussion!

You have worked very hard to gather your information over the last week, and now is your chance to be the reporter and fill your peers in on your area of expertise.

Your “Oil Advertisements” look fabulous around the room!
Press Conference

- Please remember the following:
  - Be respectful of your peers, remember that we are working together as a class to create the best presentation as a whole not as individual groups!
  - When your group is called up please bring all needed materials to your seat in the front of the news room.
  - Please hold your applause until each group has finished.
  - Have fun! 😊
24.2 The Geographic Setting: GA Page 358

- Southwest Asia makes most its money from OIL!
- People in developed countries depend on oil and natural gas to meet most of their energy needs.
- Oil is a nonrenewable resource: meaning there is only a limited amount.
- Many ethnic groups make up Southwest Asia and they all use the money they make from oil in different ways.
The oil we use today was formed millions of years ago. It began as tiny creatures that sank to the bottom of the sea. As the creatures decayed, parts of their remains slowly turned into oil. Because oil formation is so slow, oil is a nonrenewable resource.
24.4 Oil Wealth and People’s Well-Being: GA Pages 362-363

- GDP: Gross Domestic Product
- Per Capita GDP: average income of of the people in a country
- HDI: Human Development Index
  - This index measures the well-being of a country’s people
  - Although many countries in Southwest Asia gained a lot of money from oil, they did not all use it to better the lives of their people.
24.5 The Price and Flow of Oil: GA Pages 364-365

- OPEC: the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries

- OPEC wants oil prices to be steady— not too high or too low.

- Pictures of the Persian Gulf War
Post Newscast

- Take a look at the notes that you have taken, and the questions that you have written.
- Discuss both your notes and possible answers to your questions with your group as you look at the Applying Geography Skills: Analyzing Data Tables.
- After talking with your groups, collaboratively answer both questions in complete sentences.
- Anything we do not finish before the bell will be completed on Monday!