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## **STUDENT HANDOUT** LOOKING AT GLOBALIZATION THROUGH MULTIPLE LENSES

### **EQUALITY**

Pro: Globalization is good because it lifts poor countries out of poverty and gives wealthy countries access to cheaper labor that they couldn't get otherwise.

Con: Globalization is bad because it exploits people in developing nations and makes them work in inhumane conditions for very little money.



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### **ENVIRONMENT**

Pro: Globalization is good because it provides access to natural resources from around the globe.

Con: Globalization is bad because there are no international laws regulating environmental protection and therefore we are destroying our environment more quickly.



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### **CULTURE**

Pro: Globalization is good because it creates a "one world" mentality, with people from all walks of life and different cultures and backgrounds learning about each other and working together for mutual benefit.

Con: Globalization is bad because it provides an opportunity for wealthy and aggressive countries to impose their cultural norms and beliefs on other countries.



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### **ECONOMICS**

Pro: Globalization is good because it creates a free market for labor, materials, and other manufacturing. This brings costs down and allows for more competition, which is better for the consumer.

Con: Globalization is bad because it outsources manufacturing jobs to cheaper countries and makes it impossible for working class people in developed nations to find employment.