Worksheet 2.1

ITI1202: Introduction to Global Politics

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1. Read the text below:

Angelina is a schoolgirl. After her breakfast of a French croissant and an English muffin, she slips on her Italian shoes to go to school in her father's German car, which uses petrol from the Middle East. After school, Angelina and her brother Raúl stop off at the local music shop to buy the latest chart topper. Although the album is by a famous Swedish pop star, the CD itself is made in China, and the brother and sister cannot wait to play it on their Japanese stereo. After dinner, Raúl sends mysterious SMS messages, using his Korean mobile phone, to his friends and Angelina switches on their made-in-Taiwan PC and surfs the net with an American web browser.

Text from a leaflet of European Commission about International Trade.

After having read the text, can you guess what globalization is about? Write down your ideas.

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2. Looking at Globalization Through Multiple Lenses

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.

Choose one of the above arguments and explain your opinion.

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