STEP-BY-STEP MAPPING CD

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By following this **STEP-BY-STEP MAPPING CD** presentation, you can see the different layers that make up a map. All of the necessary details of the map are shown on the CD, eliminating the need for using other resources for further research.

ACTIVITIES: For the most part, the individual stages of **STEP-BY-STEP MAPPING** follow the suggested **ACTIVITIES** printed on each map. In some cases, extra details have been added.

LABELING STYLE: Follow the labeling style presented for a clear and accurate approach to completing the map. Or, choose your own colors or style-- embellishing and labeling in your own way helps personalize your map. Some maps, such as the **TREASURE MAP** or **BASIC SKILLS MAP** encourage individuality.

BASIC STAGES: Activities are divided into several stages for each map-- most often 4 or 5, but some maps require more. Since each map is different, this order and approach may vary slightly. But generally, regardless of the number of stages, most of the features below are addressed:

> **LABELING** Generally speaking, the early stages of each map encourage the labeling of the names of places: countries or cities, continents or regions. If these features are already labeled on the map, then the instructions may specify underlining them, to draw attention to them.
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> **BODIES OF WATER** Often in the next stage(s), bodies of water, such as oceans, lakes, and rivers, are labeled and colored.
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> **GEOGRAPHIC DETAILS**: Mountain ranges, deserts, valleys and other geographic details are drawn in, using the symbols shown in the Map Key. Fill them in with the appropriate color.
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> **ADDITIONAL FEATURES**: To add more detail, color other features, such as borders, illustrations and the Earthworm mascot. Sometimes, especially on state or city maps, transportation details, such highways, railroad routes, or airports can be drawn in.
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> **EXTRA STAGES**: Some maps are more complicated and have an extra stages. Others relate to history or regions. Or you can draw in extra details of your own, or make new illustrations to further decorate and embellish.

The **BLANK** map is shown at the beginning of the stages. When the maps are complete, returning to this blank map is a good way to review some of the work you have done alone or as a group. Or you may use the blank map for a different purpose or different topic. Or add different information than what is suggested in the **ACTIVITIES** section of the map.

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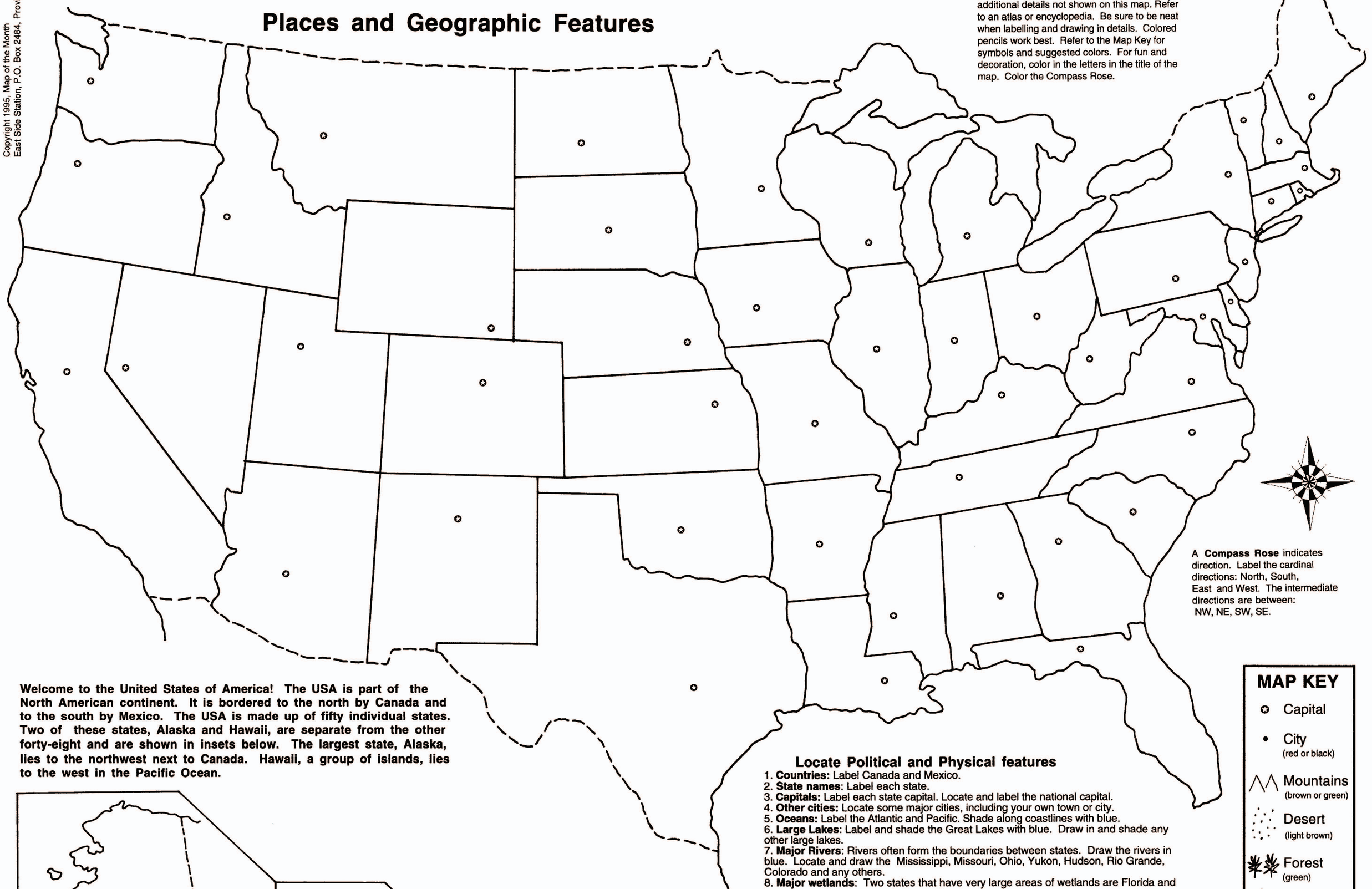
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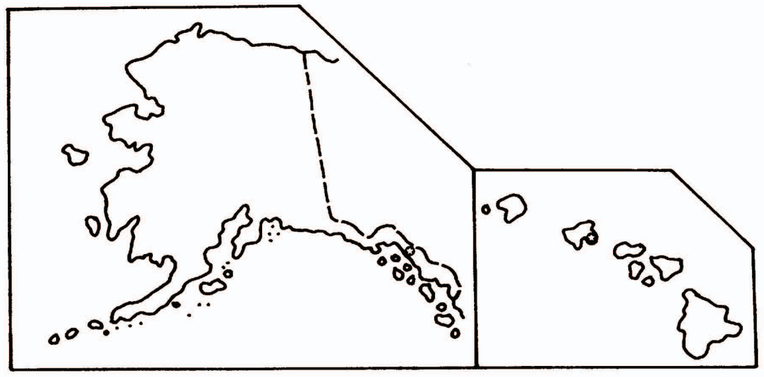


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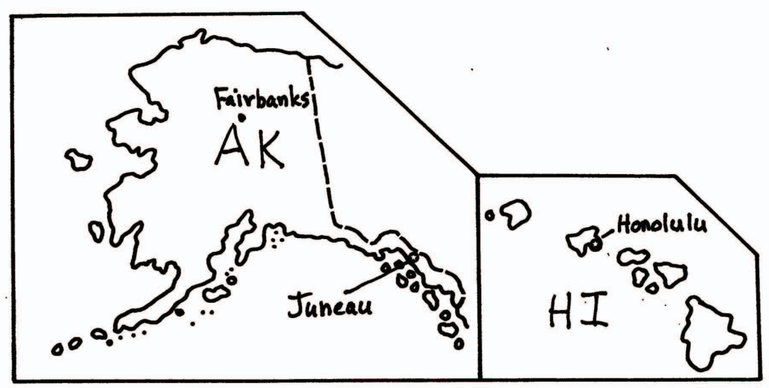
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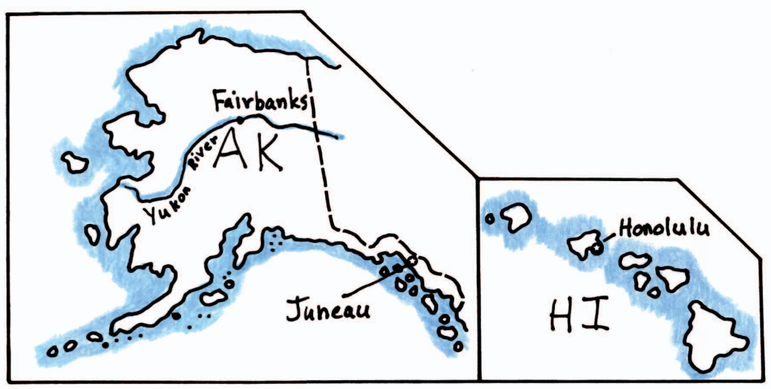
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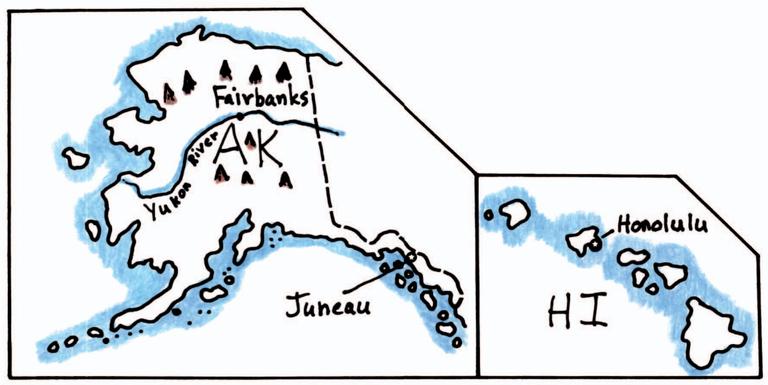


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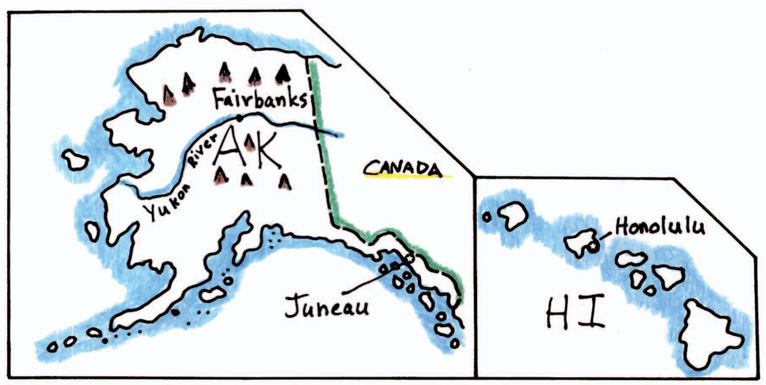
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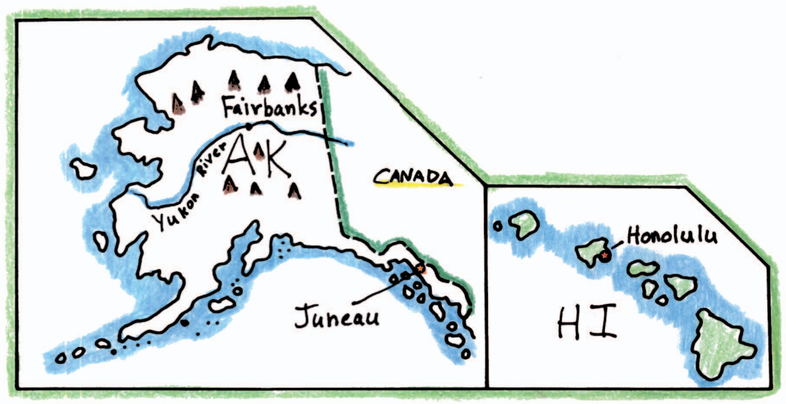
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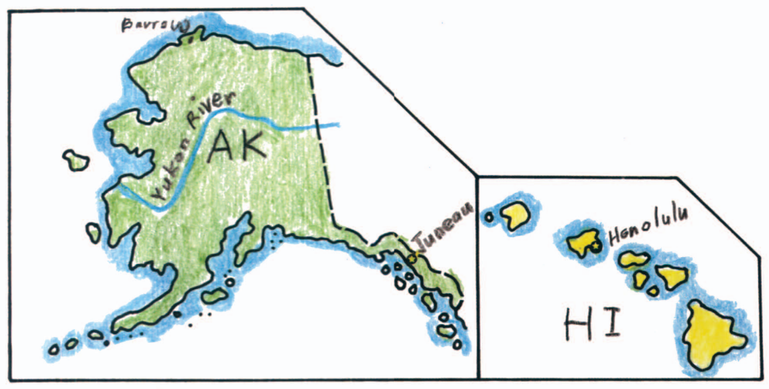
EARTH WORM SAYS

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Seattle
Olympia
WA
Spokane
Kellogg
Great Falls
Missoula
Helena
MT
miles City
Salem
Eugene
OR
Grants Pass
ID
Boise
Twin Falls
Sheridan
Cody
WY
Rock Springs
Cheyenne
Fort Bragg
Sacramento
San Francisco
NV
Great Basin
Reno
Carson City
Logan
Salt Lake City
Provo
UT
Craig
Denver
CO
Pueblo
Durango
Blanding
COLORADO RIVER
MOHAVE DESERT
Las Vegas
CA
PACIFIC OCEAN
Los Angeles
San Diego
AZ
Flagstaff
Phoenix
Sonoran Desert
Tucson
Gallup
Santa Fe
NM
ROCKY MOUNTAINS
Las Cruces
El Paso
CHIHUAHUAN DESERT
Presidio
RIO GRANDE
MEXICO
ND
Bismarck
Fargo
Bowman
MISSOURI
SD
Pierre
Rapid city
Sioux Falls
Chadron
NE
Lincoln
McCook
Topeka
Kansas City
KS
Wichita
Roseau
MN
Duluth
St. Paul
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MI
Upper Peninsula
Spooner
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Green Bay
Madison
LAKE MICHIGAN
Chicago
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Charles City
Des Moines
Cedar Rapids
MISSISSIPPI RIVER
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Springfield
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Independence
Kansas City
Jefferson City
Springfield
OK
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Charleston
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VA
Roanoke
Richmond
Danville
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- River (blue)