

ADVANCED PLACEMENT CLASS OFFERED

Poquoson High School/Ms. Forestiere

AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY



SUMMER ASSIGNMENT

Welcome to AP Human Geography also known as AP HUG. I wish to share my enthusiasm and fascination with the world as we lead you through to the May 2026 College Board Exam. The assignment is designed to have you ready for our first day of class and to help keep you organized throughout the year. It contains five parts, and all are due the **first day** of class. If you have any questions, contact: jessica.forestiere@poquoson.k12.va.us

Part I: AP Human Geography Map Assignment

Part II: MDC & LDC Country Profiles.

- Each student will select 1 More Developed Country (MDC) and 1 Less Developed Country (LDC) from the list below to research throughout the year-long course. Before you select your MDC and LDC country, turn to this source and explore a variety of countries. (Some countries have "better" or more information which will make life easier for you in the future.) <https://www.cia.gov/the-world-factbook/countries/> . Print out your 1 MDC and 1 LDC country's profile. The print-out (print back to back) will be long, (8-9 pages or so for each country), but it will allow you to quickly access important data for your school-year assignments. Place this important information in your binder under the TAB "Country Profiles" in your AP HUG binder as you complete Part II of this assignment.

Possible Selections for MDCs (more-developed countries):

Norway	Australia	Netherlands	Germany
New Zealand	Ireland	Sweden	Switzerland
Japan	Canada	South Korea	Iceland
Denmark	Israel	Belgium	Austria
Singapore	France	Finland	Slovenia
Spain	Liechtenstein	Italy	Luxembourg
Czech Republic	Greece	Brunei	Cyprus
Malta	Andorra	Estonia	Slovakia
Qatar	Hungary	Barbados	Poland
Chile	Lithuania	UA Emirates	Portugal
Latvia	Argentina	Seychelles	Russia
Croatia	(Do not use United Kingdom or United States)		

Possible Selections for LDCs (less-developed countries)

Algeria	Argentina	Armenia	Azerbaijan
Bahrain	Bangladesh	Belarus	Belize
Benin	Bhutan	Bolivia	Botswana
Brazil	Bulgaria	Burkina Faso	Burundi
Cambodia	Cameroon	Cape Verde	Cayman Islands
Central Africa Republic	Chad	China	Colombia
Congo, DR of the	Costa Rica	Côte d'Ivoire	Croatia
Cuba	Djibouti	Dominican Republic	Ecuador
Egypt	El Salvador	Equatorial Guinea	Eritrea
Ethiopia	Fiji	French Guiana	Gabon
Gambia	Georgia	Ghana	Guatemala
Guinea	Guinea-Bissau	Guyana	Haiti
Honduras	India	Indonesia	Iran
Jamaica	Jordan	Kazakhstan	Kenya
Kuwait	Kyrgyzstan	Laos	Lebanon
Lesotho	Liberia	Libya	Madagascar
Malawi	Malaysia	Mali	Mauritania
Mexico	Moldova	Morocco	Montenegro
Mozambique	Namibia	Nepal	Nicaragua
Niger	Nigeria	Oman	Pakistan
Panama	Paraguay	Peru	Philippines
Romania	Rwanda	San Marino	Saudi Arabia
Senegal	Serbia	Sierra Leone	South Africa
Sri Lanka	Suriname	Swaziland	Tajikistan
Tanzania	Thailand	Timor-Leste	Togo
Tunisia	Turkey	Turkmenistan	Uganda
Ukraine	Uruguay	Uzbekistan	Venezuela
Vietnam	Yemen	Zambia	Zimbabwe
Albania			

(Not all of the LDCs are listed here due to turmoil - Sudan, South Sudan, Syria, Somalia, Iraq, etc. – these countries' data is not accurate till peace is established.)

Part III. Please purchase and assemble for the first day of class.

Buy one huge binder

Buy 10 tabs and label this way

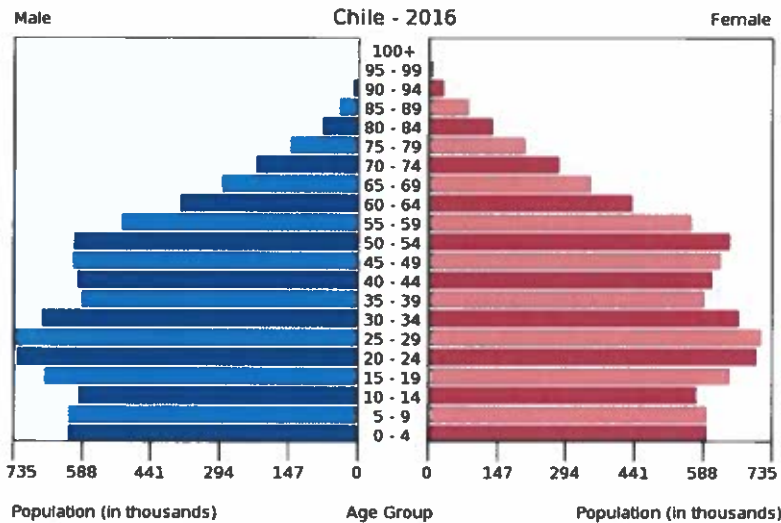
1. Syllabus – Core Materials
2. Unit 1 - Basic Concepts
3. Unit 2 - Population & Migration
4. Unit 3 - Culture
5. Unit 4 - Political Geography
6. Unit 5 - Agriculture
7. Unit 6 - Industry & Development
8. Unit 7 - Urban Patterns
9. Maps
10. Country Profiles MDC + LDC + Population Pyramids

COVER: Pictures of your Favorite Places in the USA and World – Internet? Postcards?

Left side: Your name
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2025-2026

The above is the correct MLA format for headings for our class.

Part IV. Print out a Population Pyramid of **your** 1 MDC country and 1 LDC country **and 1 physical map** (mountains, lowlands, etc.) **and 1 political map** (cities, capitol, etc.) for both your MDC and LDC country. Do not worry about a printed color map. If you have the ink and can afford to do so, print out in color; black and white is just fine.



How to access population pyramids?

Search engine type: Paraguay population pyramid 2025 or closest year.

How to access maps?

<https://www.worldatlas.com/countries>

<http://maps.nationalgeographic.com/maps>

<https://www.cia.gov/the-world-factbook/maps/>

Part V. Please purchase 1 3-Subject Notebook

CHECKLIST BELOW for Summer Project:

- AP Human Geography Map Assignment
- 1 MDC country profile printed & placed in AP HUG binder.
- 1 LDC country profile printed & placed in AP HUG binder.
- 1 MDC population pyramid printed & placed in AP HUG binder.
- 1 LDC population pyramid printed & placed in AP HUG binder.
- 1 MDC physical map & 1 political map printed & placed in AP HUG binder.
- 1 LDC physical map & 1 political map printed & placed in AP HUG binder.
- 1 large binder with pictures, postcards, and MLA heading on front cover with tabs inside.
- 1 3-Subject Notebook for Warm Ups, Map Journal, FRQ Journal.

Totally enjoy your summer and I look forward to meeting you in August!

Ms. Forestiere

2025 - 2026 AP Human Geography Map Assignment

What am I doing? Labeling world outline maps with the features listed below building an understanding of the political and physical geography world regions.

Why am I doing this? Part of entering an AP class is an assumption of a certain level of background knowledge and skills. You will need a strong working mental map in order to be successful in this course.

When are the maps due? August 25th/August 26th! (First Day of Class)

How many maps should I submit? 14

Map 1 - Map Basics	Map 8 - Sub-Saharan Africa
Map 2 - Land Features	Map 9 - North Africa & the Middle East
Map 3 - Rivers and Lakes	Map 10 - East Asia and Southeast Asia
Map 4 - Seas, Gulfs, and other Major Water Features	Map 11 - Central and South Asia
Map 5 - North America and the Caribbean	Map 12 - Oceania
Map 6 - South America	Map 13 - World Regions A Big Picture
Map 7 - Europe	Map 14 - World Regions A Closer Look

What do I label on each map? Each map has a list of countries, cities and/or regions to label. The list and corresponding numbers will serve as the key. Label each element with the correct number in the correct location. Only items labeled on the correct maps will be scored and tested. **Countries are listed in regular font and cities are listed in *italics*.** NOTE: **Bolded** items have an emphasis in APHuG.

When is the first map test? Tests will vary, but there will be one test in the first two weeks and more through the year. It is essential that you build a mental map of the world and the placement of states (countries), cities, and natural phenomena.

How do I study? Studying for map tests takes time and preparation. The first step is to find each feature and label blank outline maps. Use the list below and quiz yourself by labeling blank maps and seeing how much you know. Listed below are links where you can test yourself online.

Coloring the map is optional (except for map 13 and 14), but will (WILL!!!) help memory.

Online Map Quizzes

http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/Geography.htm	http://ilike2learn.com/
https://www.sporcle.com/games/category/geography	https://www.seterra.com

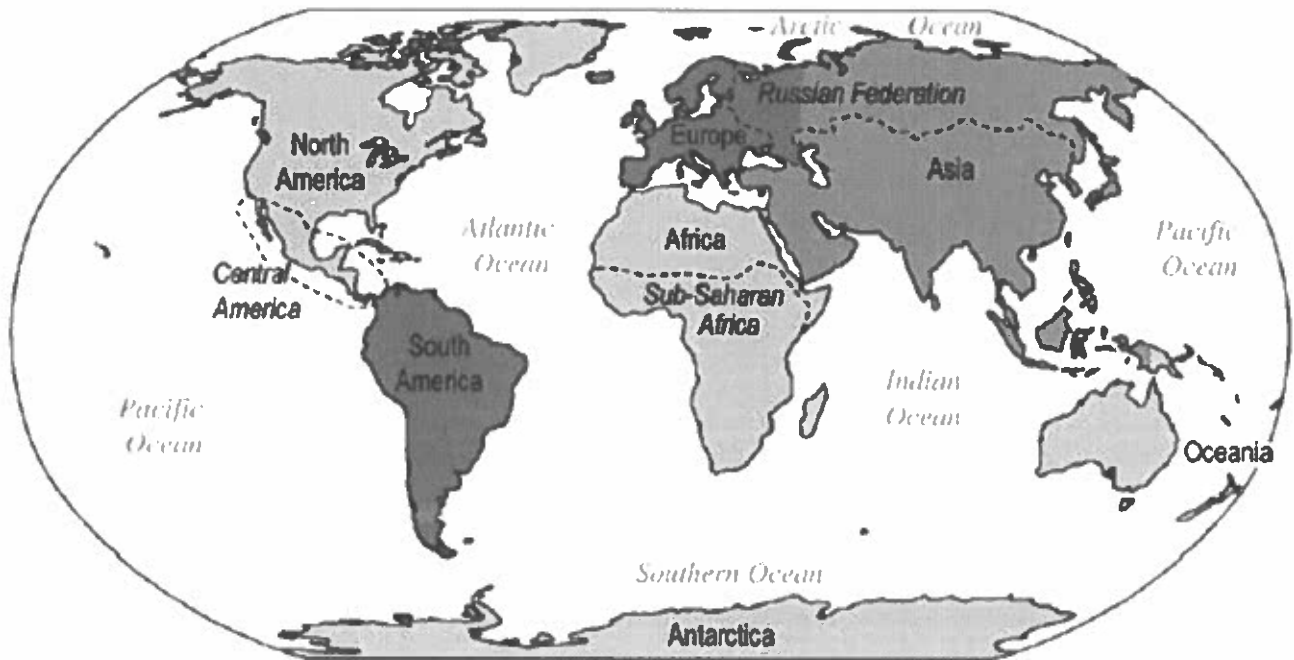
If you have any questions or need additional help completing the assignment, contact me!

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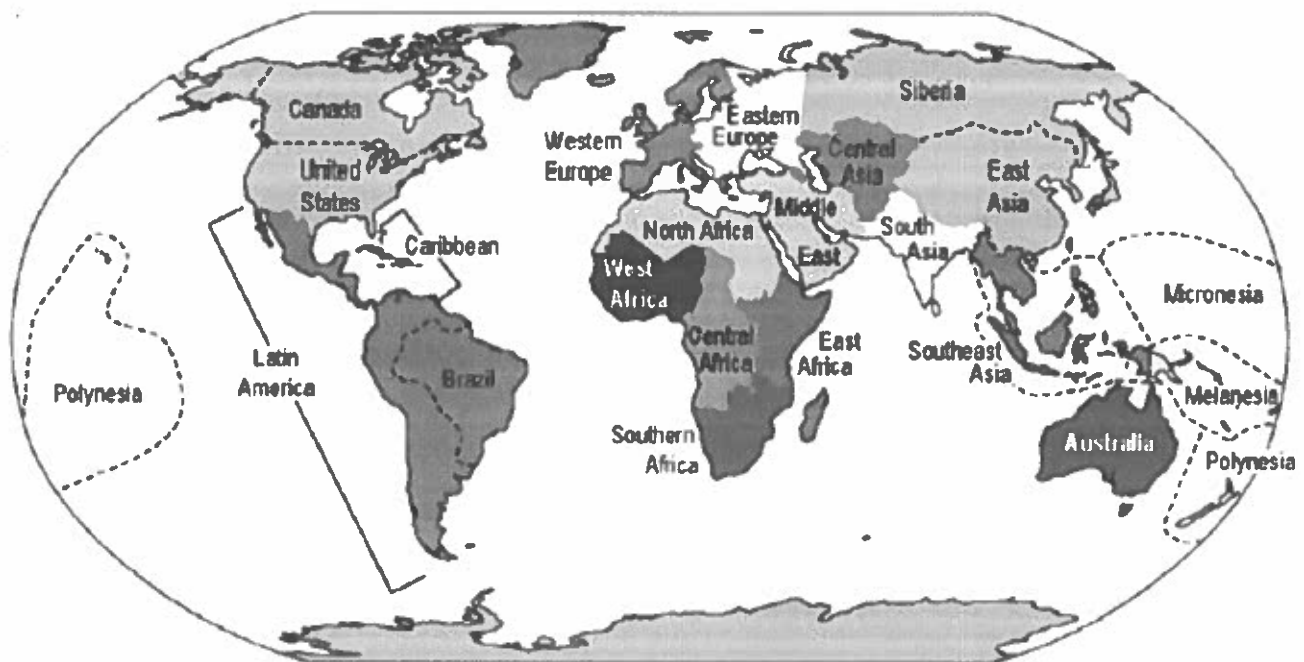
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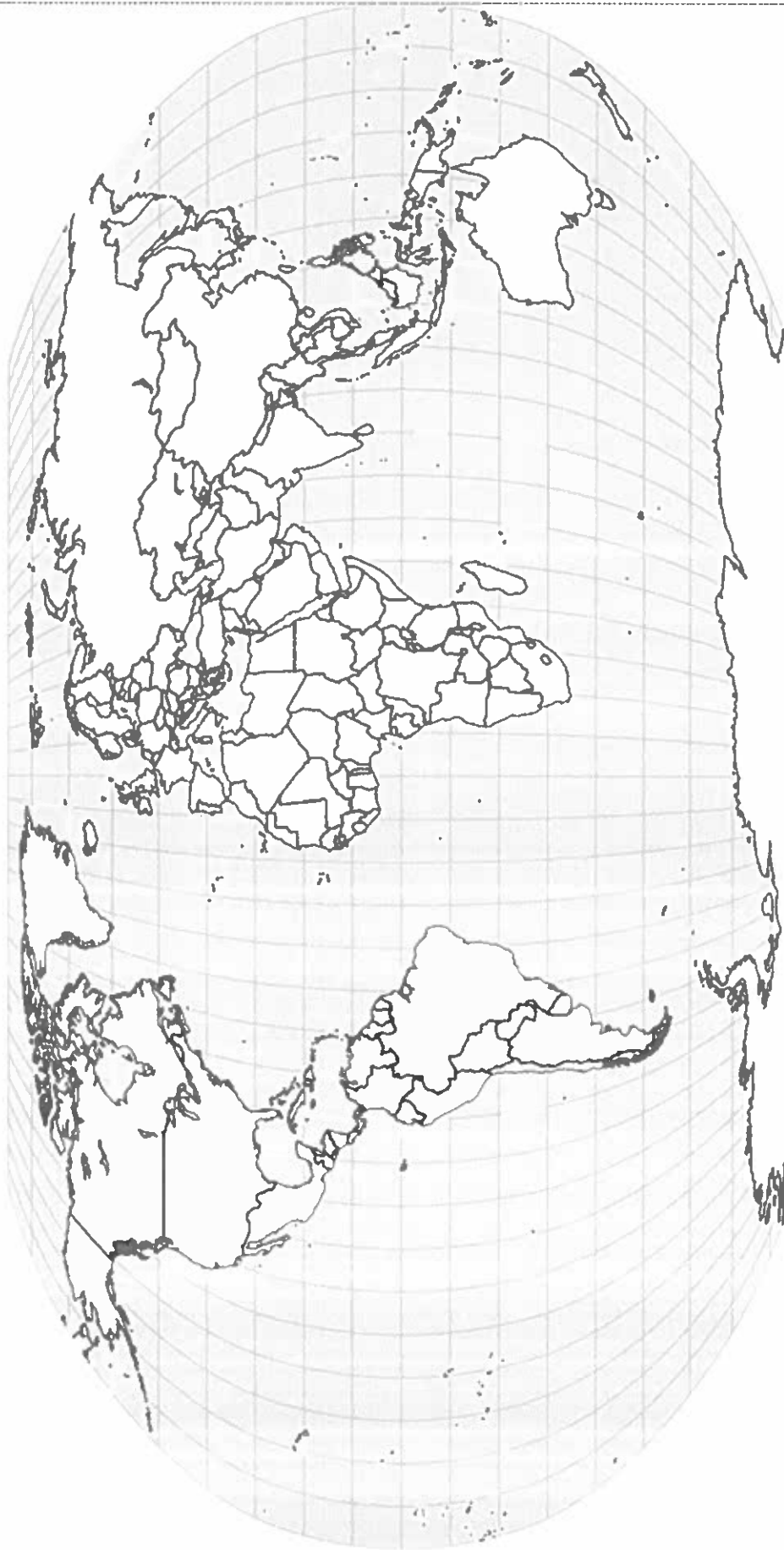
Use these maps as a reference for labeling and coloring maps 13 and 14.
AP Human Geography: World Regions — A Big Picture View



AP Human Geography: World Regions — A Closer Look



MAP 1: BASICS



Label the following:

5 Oceans

Arctic Circle

7 Continents

Antarctic Circle

Tropic of Cancer

Prime Meridian

Equator

International Date Line

Tropic of Capricorn

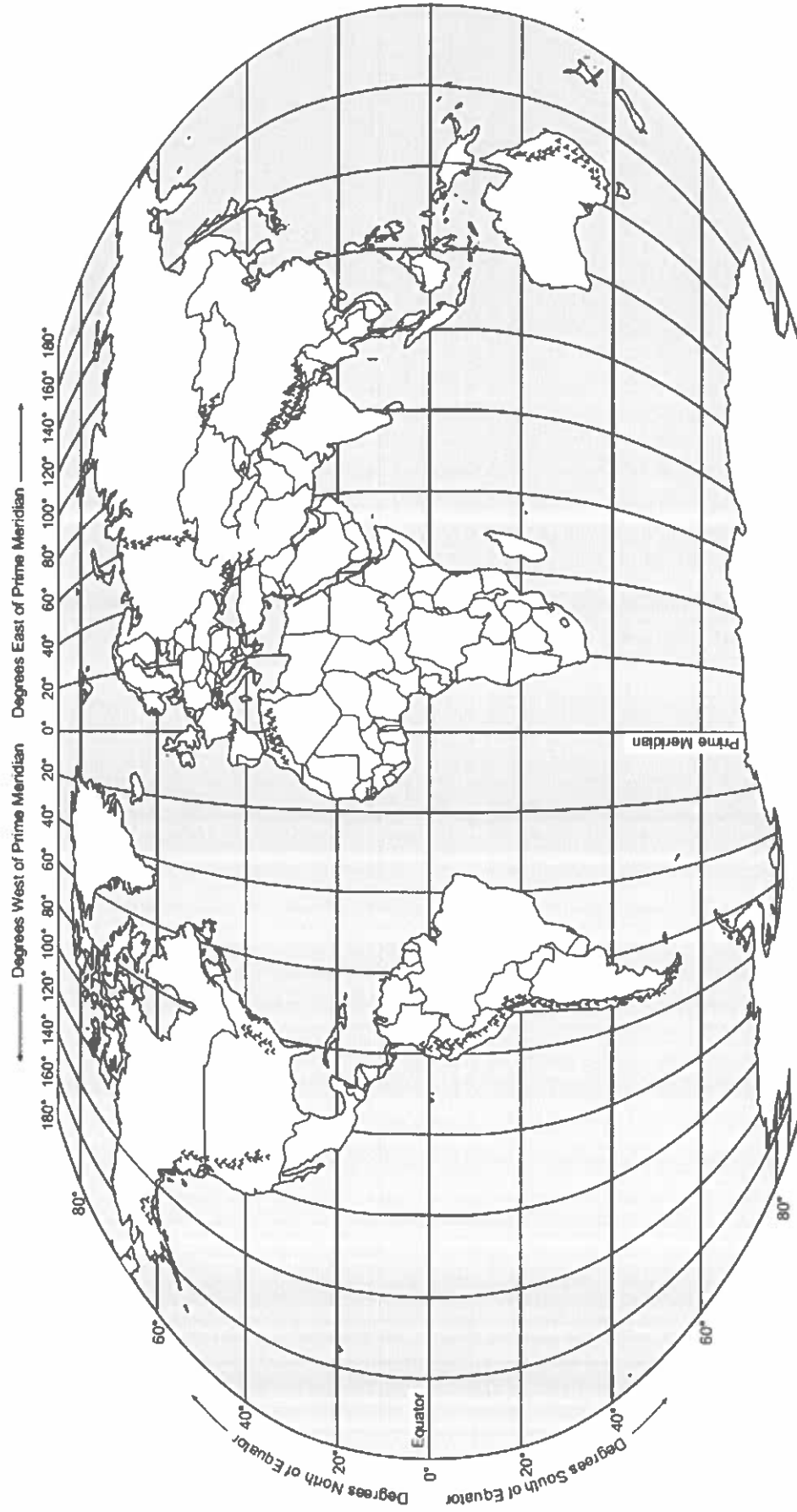
Southern Ocean

After labeling Map 1, complete the following sentences:

Lines of latitude run from _____ to _____ and measure distances _____ and _____ of the _____.

Lines of longitude run from _____ to _____ and measure distances _____ and _____ of the _____.

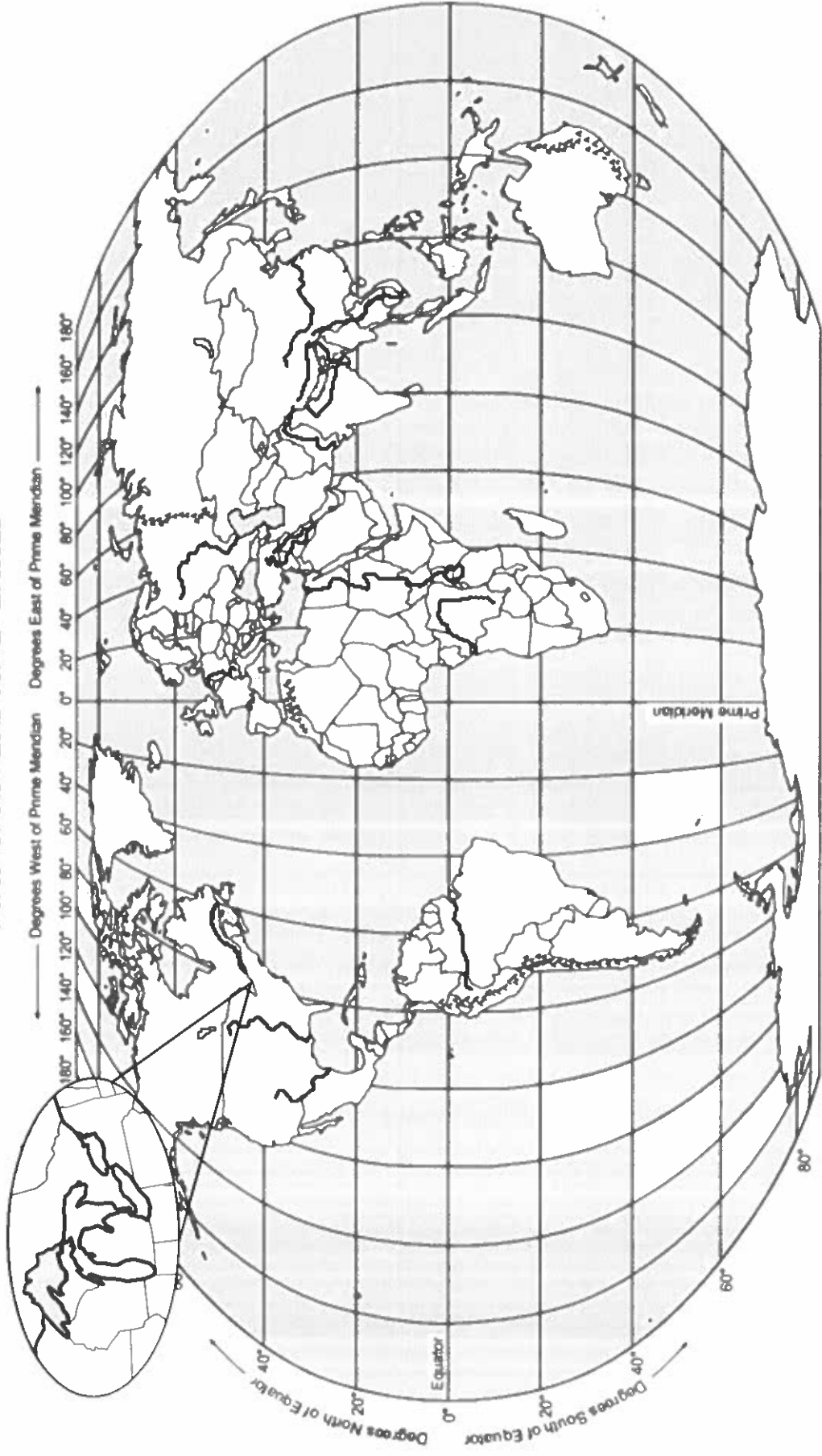
MAP 2: LAND FEATURES



Label the following:

- | | | | |
|--------------|------------|------------------|--------------|
| 1. Rockies | 7. Sahara | 10. Urals | 13. Kalahari |
| 2. Himalayas | 8. Alps | 11. Rub al Khali | 14. Namib |
| 3. Gobi | 9. Atacama | 12. Patagonia | |

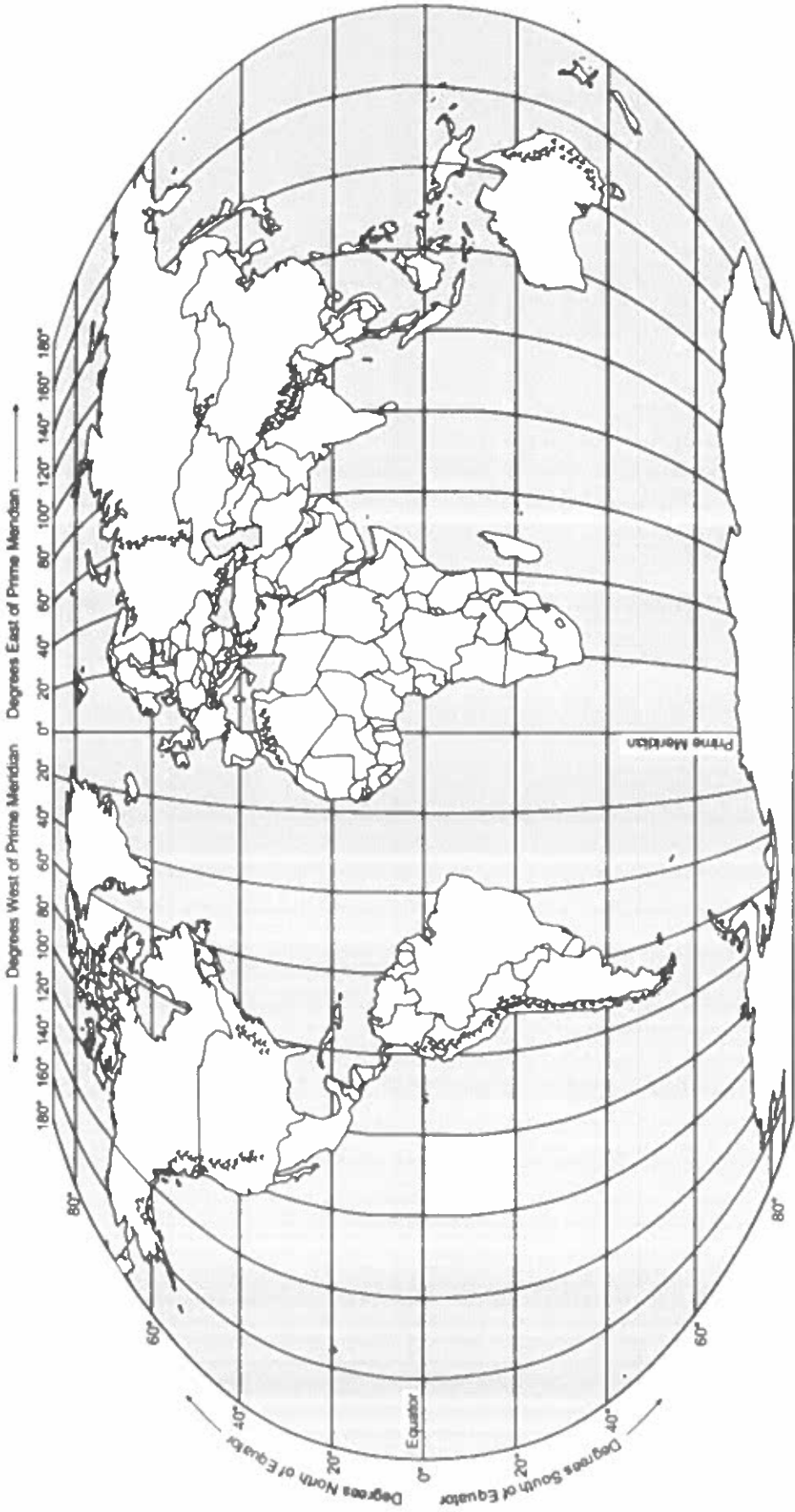
MAP 3: RIVERS AND LAKES



Label the following:

- | | | | | |
|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Brahmaputra River | 6. Mississippi River | 11. Ganges River | 16. Lake Superior | 21. Rio Grande River |
| 2. Tigris River | 7. Indus River | 12. Congo River | 17. Lake Michigan | 22. Lake Baikal |
| 3. Euphrates River | 8. Mekong River | 13. Volga River | 18. Lake Erie | 23. St. Lawrence River |
| 4. Yangtze River | 9. Amazon River | 14. Lake Winnipeg | 19. Lake Ontario | |
| 5. Nile River | 10. Lake Victoria | 15. Rhine River | 20. Lake Huron | |

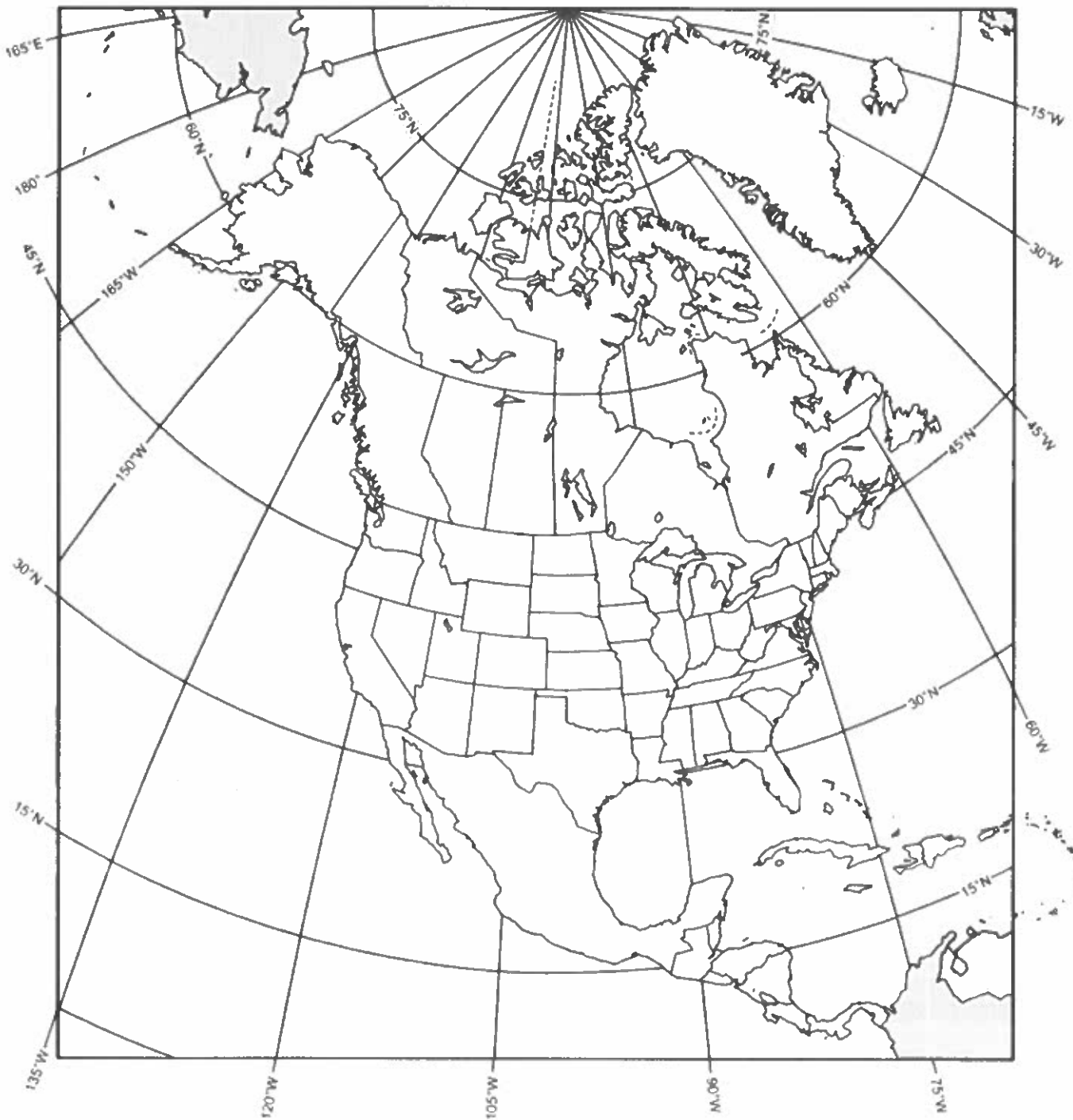
MAP 4: SEAS, GULFS, AND OTHER MAJOR WATER FEATURES



Label the following:

- | | | | |
|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Caspian Sea | 9. Gulf of Aden | 13. Strait of Malacca | 17. English Channel |
| 2. Mediterranean Sea | 10. Strait of Hormuz | 14. Mandeb Strait | |
| 3. Red Sea | 11. Dardanelles Strait | 15. Strait of Gibraltar | |
| 4. Aral Sea | 12. Bosphorus Strait | 16. Panama Canal | |
| 5. South China Sea | | | |
| 6. Caribbean Sea | | | |
| 7. Gulf of Mexico | | | |
| 8. Persian Gulf | | | |

MAP 5: NORTH AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN



Label the following:

- | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1. Bahamas | 6. Cuba | 11. Dominican Republic | 16. Haiti | 21. Jamaica |
| 2. Trinidad and Tobago | 7. Belize | 12. Costa Rica | 17. El Salvador | 22. Guatemala |
| 3. Honduras | 8. Mexico | 13. Nicaragua | 18. Panama | 23. Canada |
| 4. United States | 9. Greenland | 14. Chicago | 19. Havana | 24. Los Angeles |
| 5. Managua | 10. Mexico City | 15. New York City | 20. Ottawa | 25. Washington DC |

MAP 6: SOUTH AMERICA



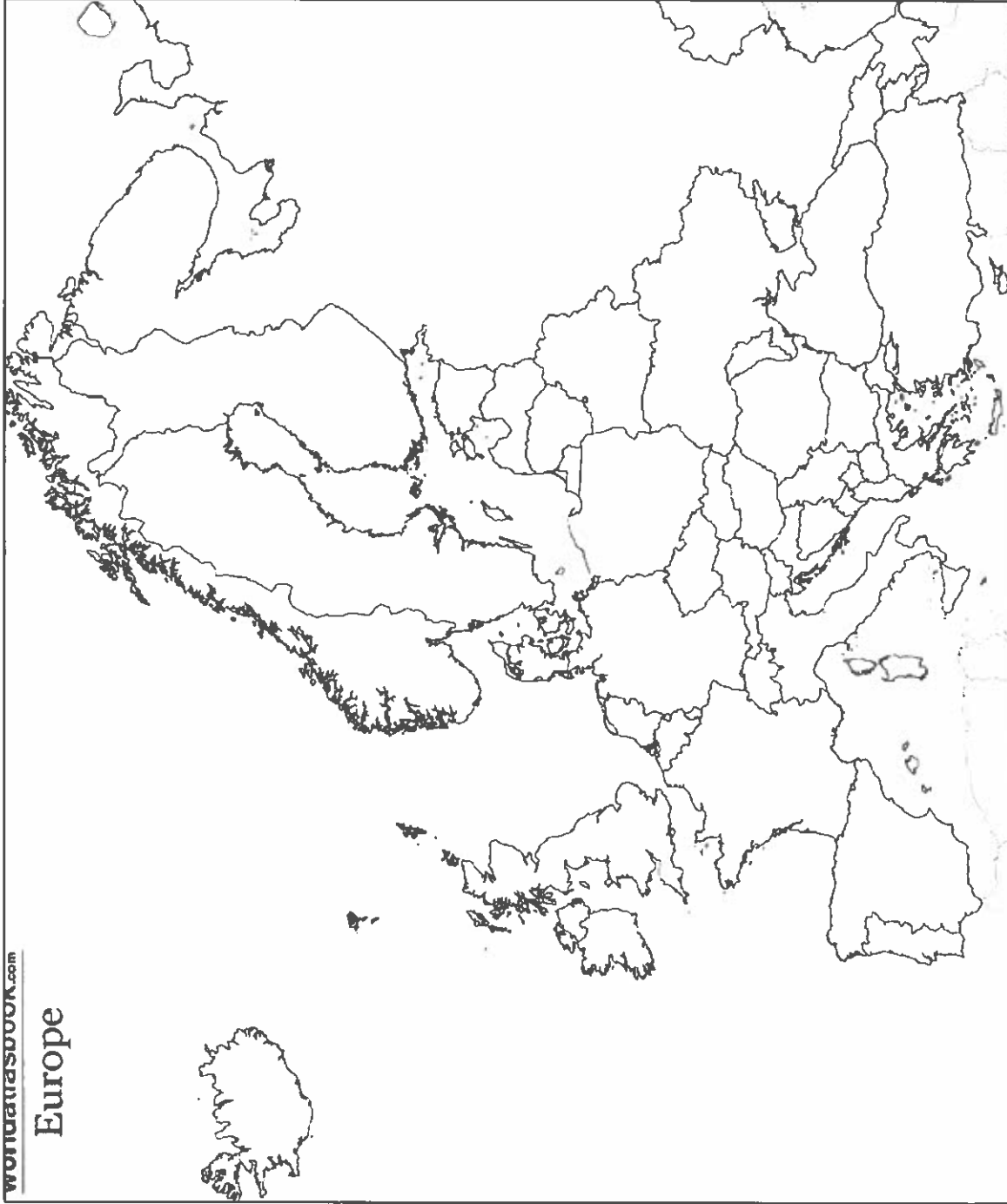
Label the following:

- | | | | | |
|--------------|-------------------|---------------|----------------------|--------------|
| 1. Argentina | 6. Colombia | 11. Uruguay | 16. French Guiana | 21. Lima |
| 2. Ecuador | 7. Paraguay | 12. Chile | 17. Buenos Aires | 22. Brasília |
| 3. Peru | 8. Venezuela | 13. São Paulo | 18. Bolivia | |
| 4. Caracas | 9. Rio de Janeiro | 14. Suriname | 19. Falkland Islands | |
| 5. Santiago | 10. Guyana | 15. Brazil | 20. Bogotá | |

MAP 7: EUROPE

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Europe

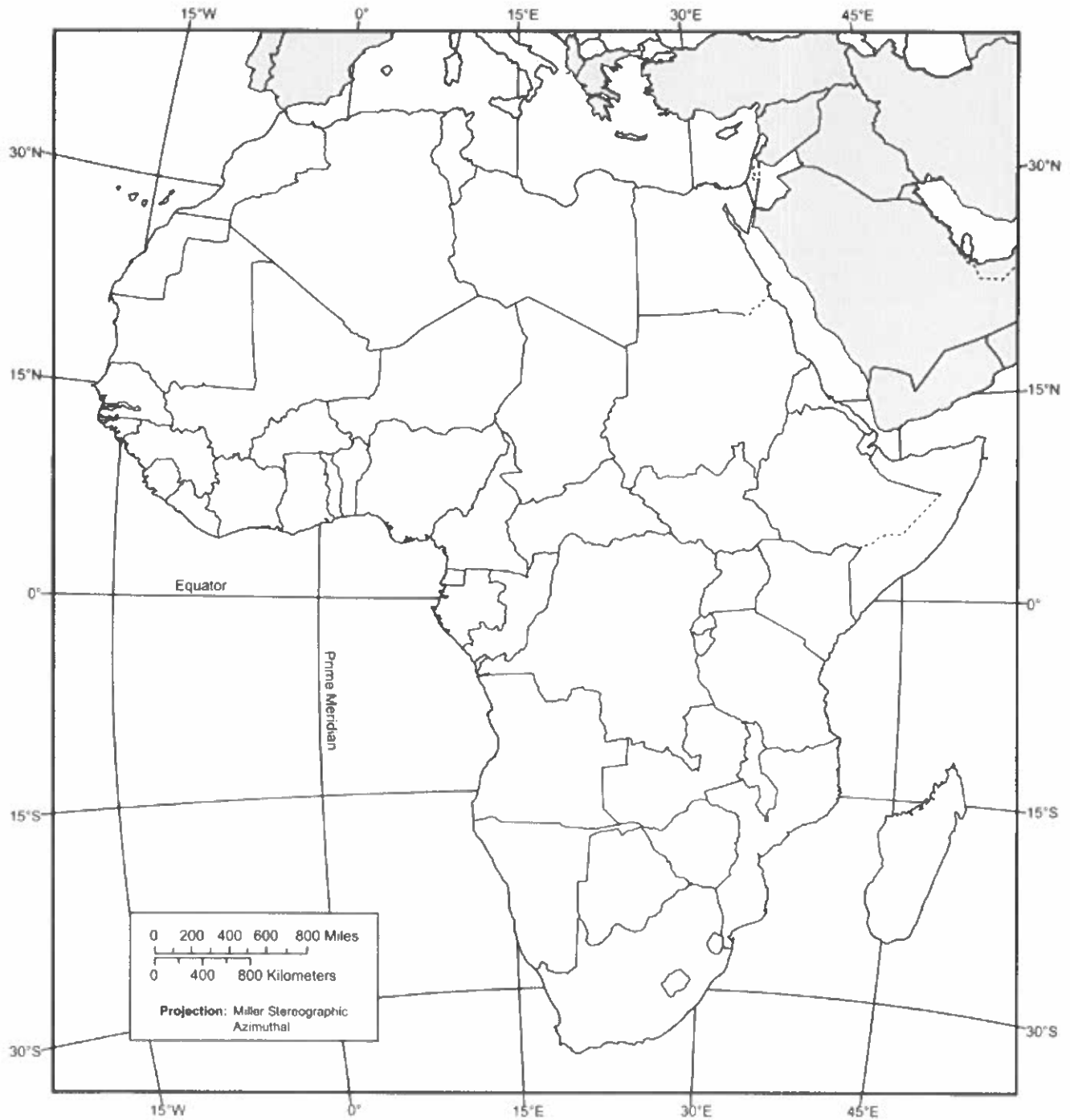


Label the following:

1. *The Hague*
2. *Rome*
3. *Moscow*
4. *London*
5. *St. Petersburg*
6. *Brussels*
7. *Paris*
8. *Madrid*
9. *Berlin*
10. Switzerland
11. Netherlands
12. Monaco
13. Luxembourg
14. Liechtenstein
15. **Germany**
16. **France**
17. Belgium
18. Austria
19. **Spain**
20. **Slovenia**
21. **Serbia**
22. San Marino
23. Portugal
24. Montenegro
25. Malta
26. Macedonia
27. **Italy**
28. *Holy See (Vatican City)*
29. **Greece**
30. **Croatia**
31. **Bosnia and Herzegovina**
32. Andorra
33. Albania
34. Belarus
35. **Poland**

36. **Denmark**
37. Latvia
38. Bulgaria
39. Romania
40. Estonia
41. Lithuania
42. **Czech Republic**
43. **Russia**
44. Finland
45. Norway
46. Hungary
47. Slovakia
48. **Iceland**
49. **Sweden**
50. Moldova
51. Ukraine
52. **Ireland**
53. **United Kingdom**
54. **Kosovo**

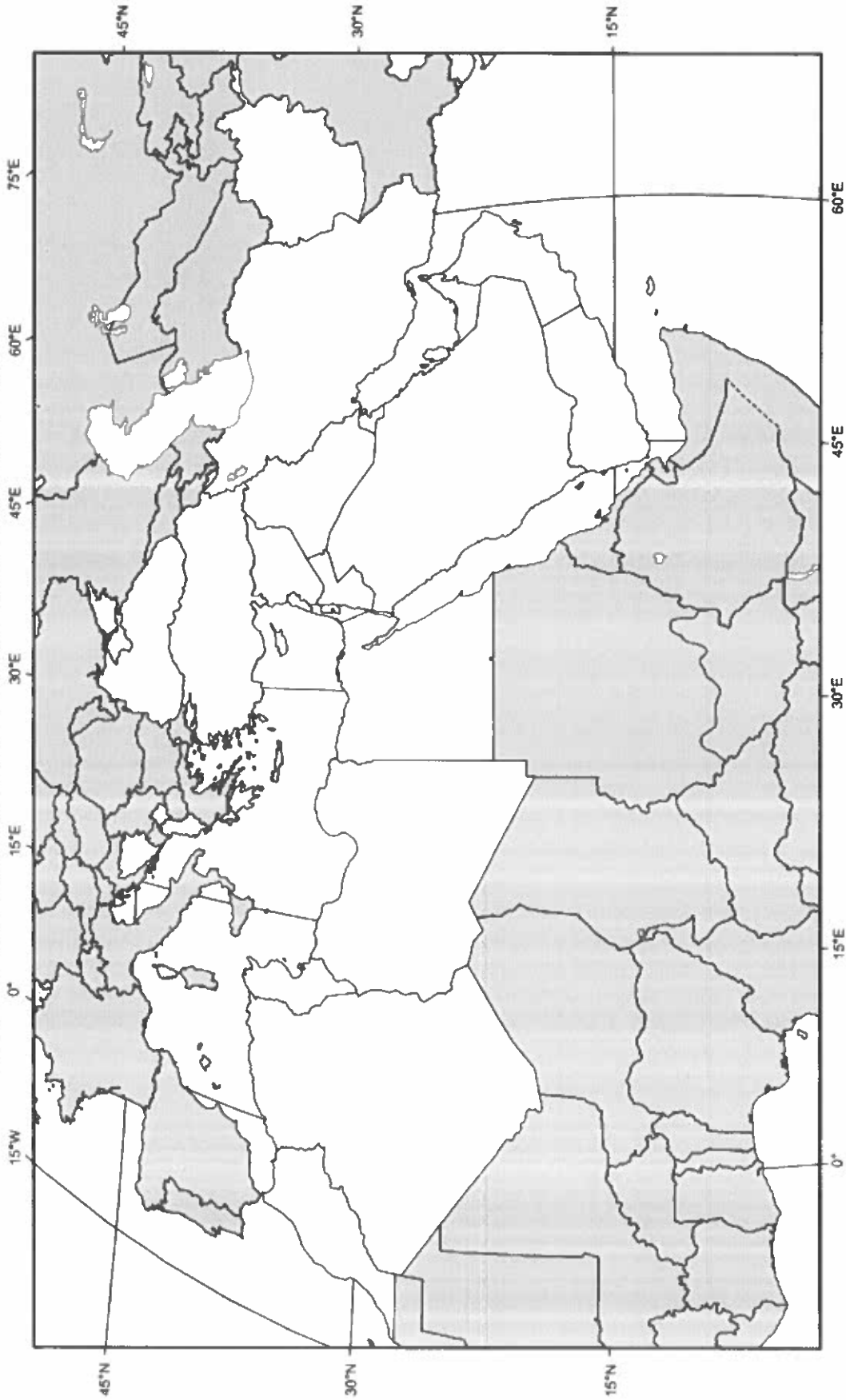
MAP 8: SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA



Label the following:

- | | | | | |
|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|
| 1. Burundi | 12. Djibouti | 23. Eritrea | 34. Ethiopia | 45. Niger |
| 2. Madagascar | 13. Botswana | 24. Chad | 35. Rwanda | |
| 3. Somalia | 14. South Sudan | 25. Uganda | 36. Tanzania | |
| 4. Zimbabwe | 15. Angola | 26. Cameroon | 37. Central African Republic | |
| 5. Congo | 16. Togo | 27. Zambia | 38. Ghana | |
| 6. Lesotho | 17. Namibia | 28. South Africa | 39. Swaziland | |
| 7. Burkina Faso | 18. Cape Verde | 29. Côte d'Ivoire | 40. Gambia | |
| 8. Benin | 19. Liberia | 30. Mali | 41. Mauritania | |
| 9. Nigeria | 20. Senegal | 31. Sierra Leone | 42. Democratic Republic of Congo | |
| 10. Addis Ababa | 21. Cape Town | 32. Lagos | 43. Nairobi | |
| 11. Mogadishu | 22. Johannesburg | 33. Accra | 44. Kenya | |

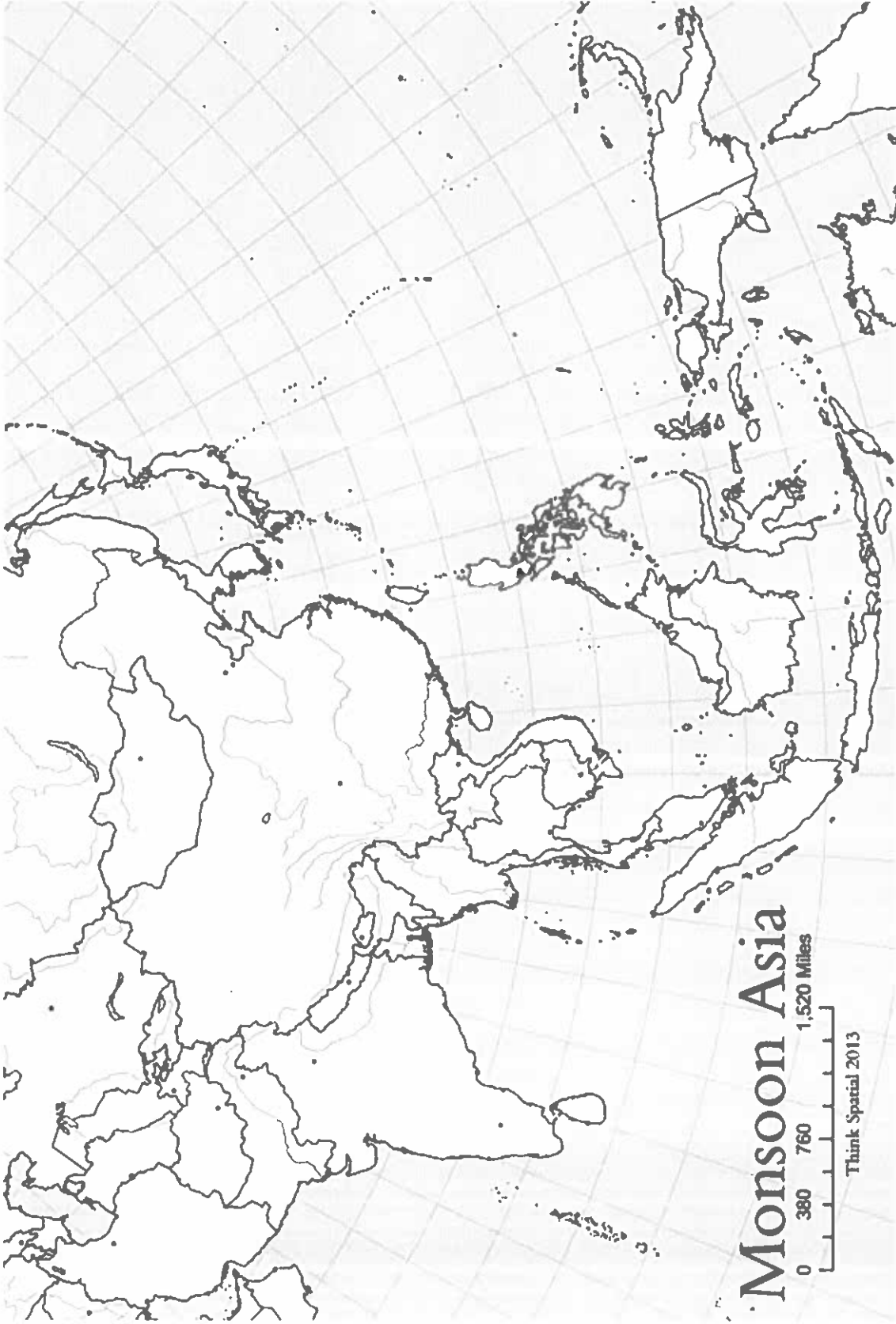
MAP 9: NORTH AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST



Label the following:

- | | | | | |
|------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Algeria | 8. Egypt | 15. Libya | 22. Morocco | 29. Sudan |
| 2. Tunisia | 9. Armenia | 16. Azerbaijan | 23. <i>Jerusalem</i> | 30. Cyprus |
| 3. Georgia | 10. Iraq | 17. Israel | 24. Jordan | 31. Kuwait |
| 4. Lebanon | 11. Oman | 18. Palestine | 25. Qatar | 32. Saudi Arabia |
| 5. Syria | 12. Turkey | 19. United Arab Emirates | 26. Yemen | 33. <i>Baghdad</i> |
| 6. <i>Beirut</i> | 13. <i>Cairo</i> | 20. <i>Damascus</i> | 27. <i>Istanbul</i> | 34. Iran |
| 7. <i>Tehran</i> | 14. <i>Tripoli</i> | 21. <i>Mecca</i> | 28. <i>Medina</i> | 35. Afghanistan |

MAP 10: EAST AND SOUTHEAST ASIA



Monsoon Asia

Label the following:

- | | | | | |
|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| 1. <i>Tokyo</i> | 6. <i>Jakarta</i> | 11. Vietnam | 16. Philippines | 21. North Korea |
| 2. <i>Shanghai</i> | 7. <i>Japan</i> | 12. <i>Hong Kong</i> | 17. Myanmar (Burma) | 22. Cambodia |
| 3. <i>Seoul</i> | 8. <i>Beijing</i> | 13. Thailand | 18. China | 23. Brunei |
| 4. <i>Pyongyang</i> | 9. <i>Bangkok</i> | 14. Singapore | 19. Laos | 24. Mongolia |
| 5. <i>Taiwan</i> | 10. Timor-Leste | 15. Malaysia | 20. South Korea | 25. Indonesia |

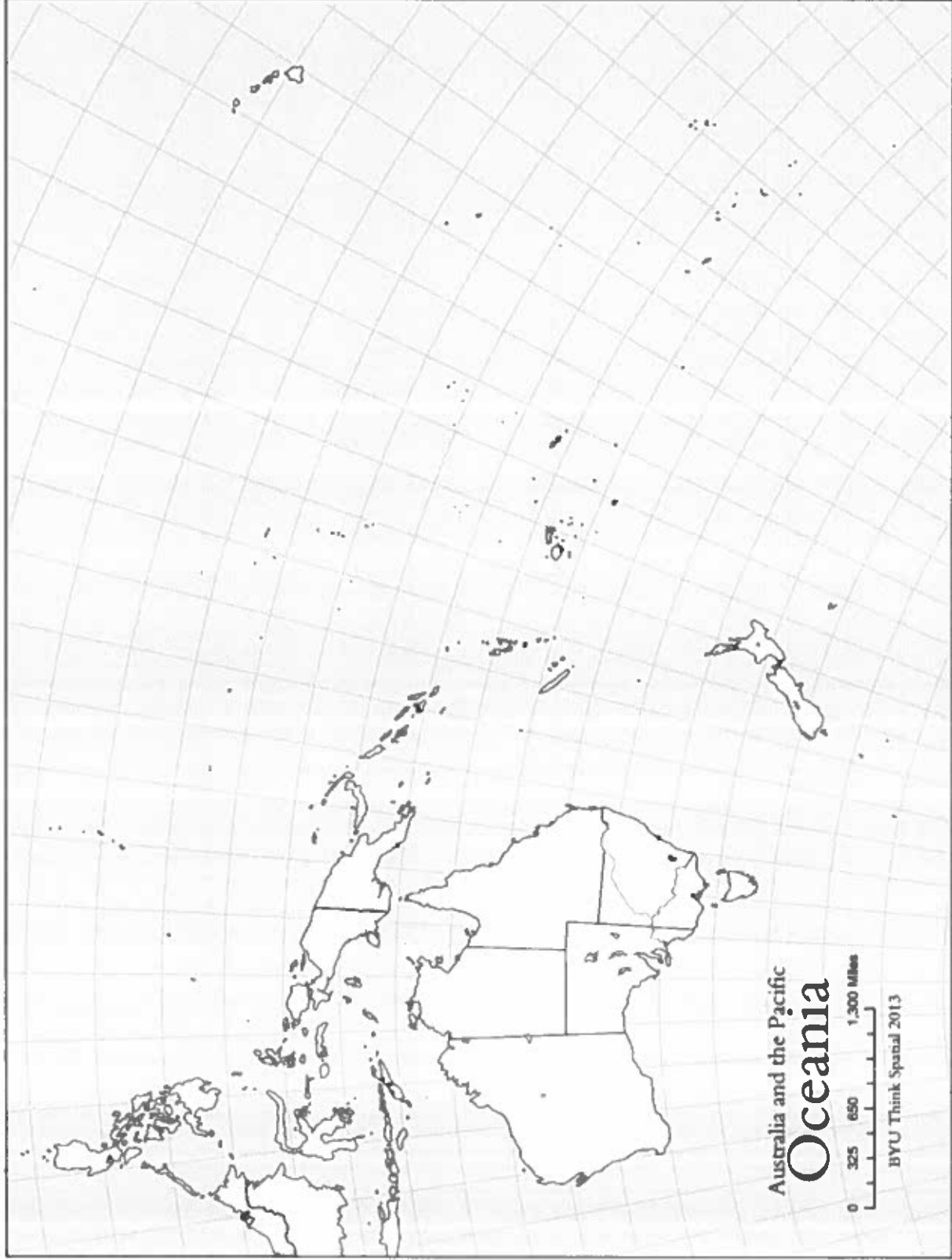
MAP 11: CENTRAL AND SOUTH ASIA



Label the following:

- | | | | | |
|---------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1. Sri Lanka | 4. Pakistan | 7. Nepal | 10. Maldives | 13. India |
| 2. Bhutan | 5. Bangladesh | 8. Kashmir | 11. Kazakhstan | 14. Uzbekistan |
| 3. Kyrgyzstan | 6. Tajikistan | 9. Turkmenistan | 12. Calcutta | 15. New Delhi |

MAP 12: OCEANIA



Label the following and draw a circle around Micronesia, Melanesia, and Polynesia.

- 1. Sydney
- 2. Melbourne

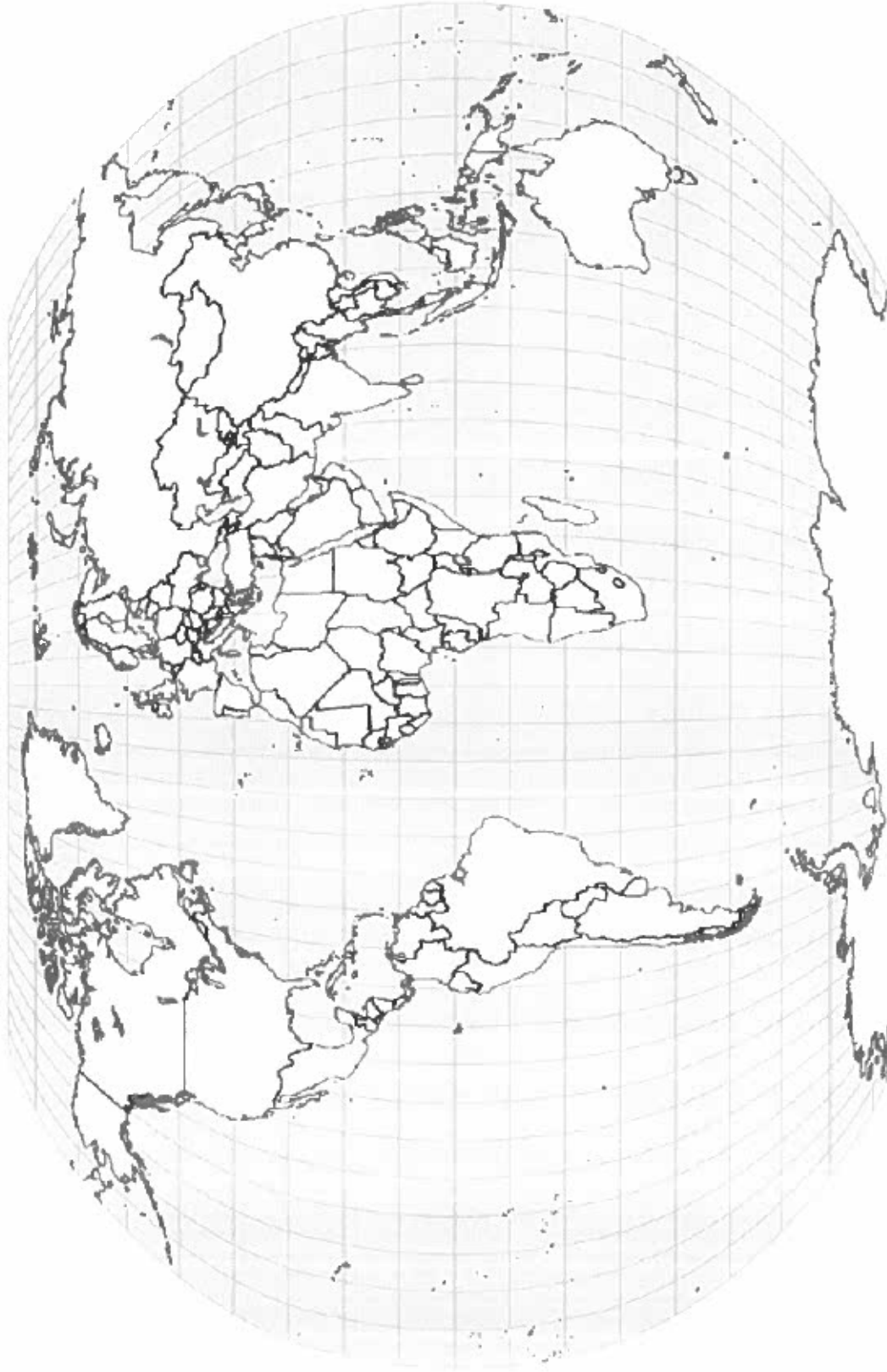
- 3. Auckland
- 4. Australia

- 5. New Zealand
- 6. Micronesia

- 7. Polynesia
- 8. Melanesia

- 9. Papua New Guinea

MAP 13: WORLD REGIONS (BIG PICTURE)



This map will be colored based on region not state (country). Each REGION must be a single color. Draw a circle around Central America, Sub-Saharan Africa, and the Russian Federation. Use the sample map provided to help you.

1. North America

3. Africa

4. Europe

5. Central America

6. Oceania

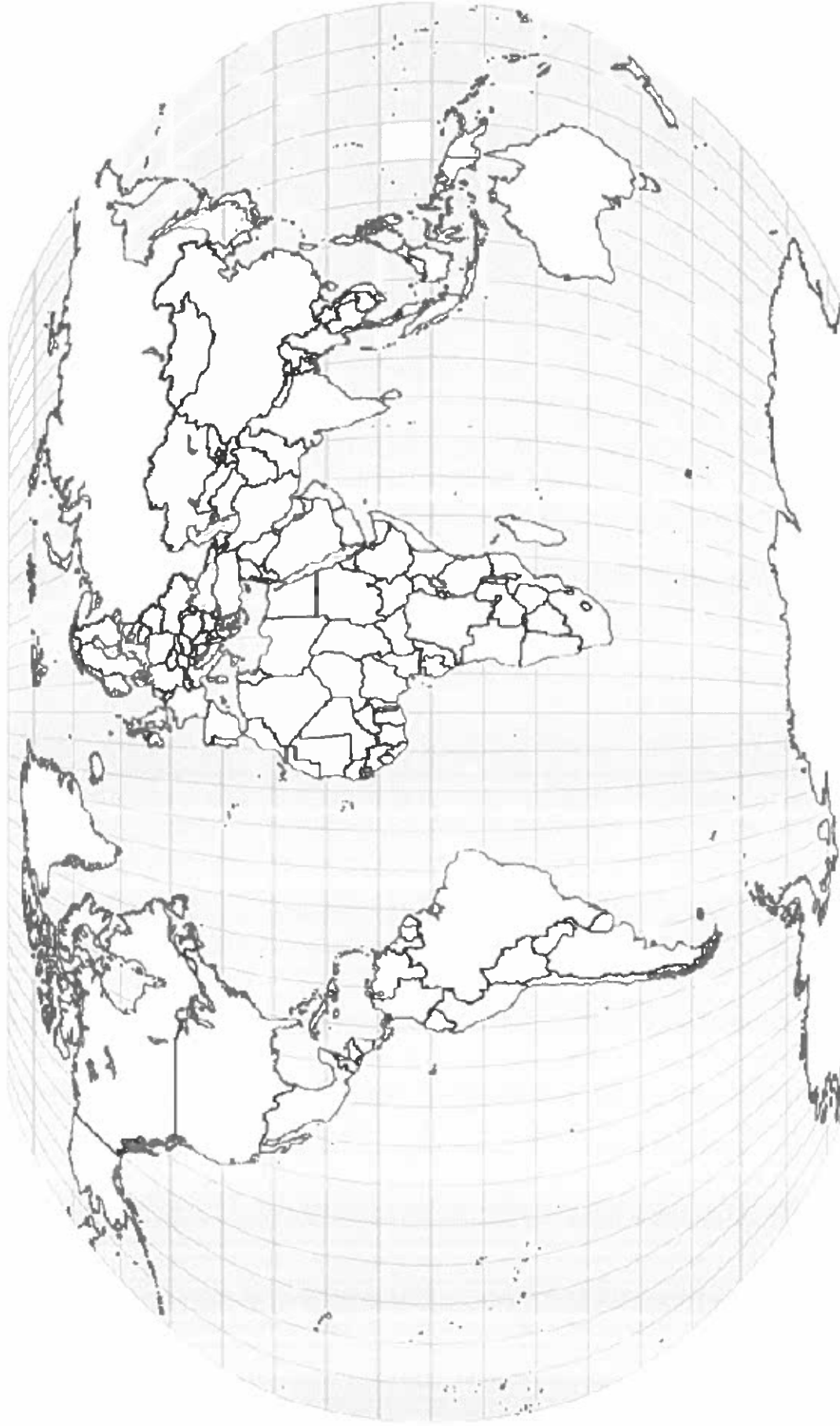
7. Sub-Saharan Africa

8. Russian Federation

9. South America

10. Antarctica

MAP 14: WORLD REGIONS (CLOSER LOOK)



This map will be colored based on region not state (country). Each REGION must be a single color. Draw a circle around Eastern Europe, East Asia, SE Asia, and S Asia. Bracket the Caribbean and Latin America. Use the sample map provided to help you.

- 1. Latin America
- 2. Central Africa
- 3. South Asia

- 4. Western Europe
- 5. East Africa
- 6. East Asia

- 7. Eastern Europe
- 8. Southern Africa
- 9. Southeast Asia

- 10. North Africa and Middle East
- 11. Siberia
- 12. Australia

- 13. West Africa
- 14. Central Asia
- 15. Antarctica