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EVERY day!

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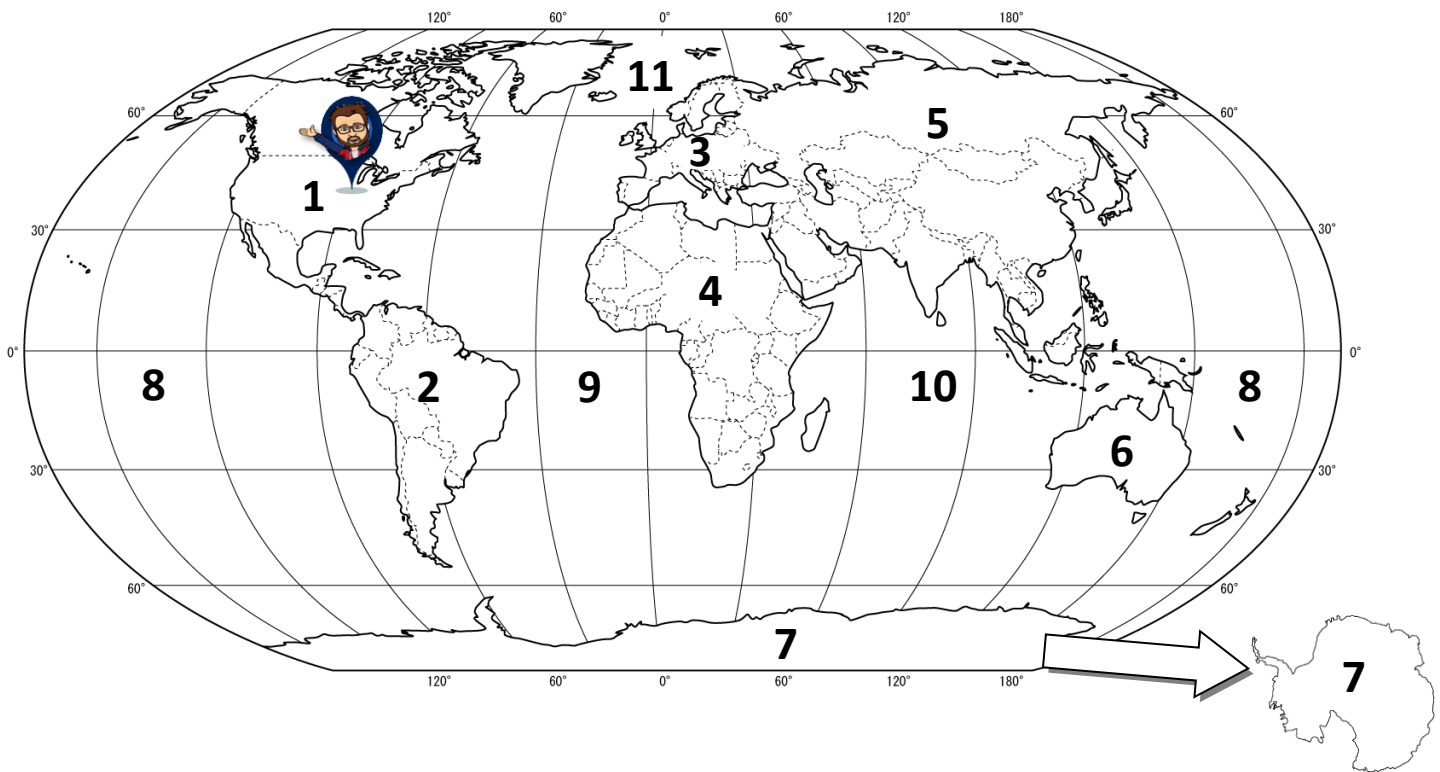
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Foundational Skills Study Guide

*For extra practice with these skills, check out Mr. Kath's website: <http://rkath.weebly.com/activities--links.html>

Continents and Oceans of the World (R6-R7 of Textbook OR p. 12 of planner): Label the continents (7) and oceans (4) on the lines below the map. Remember to use capital letters when writing proper names and spell them all correctly.



1. _____

8. _____

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11. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____



Where I Live: Complete the following questions about where you live. Remember to use capital letters when writing proper names and **spell them all correctly.** No abbreviations please!

12. There are eight planets orbiting the sun. What **planet** do you live on? _____

13. There are seven continents on our planet. What **continent** do you live on? _____

14. There are about 192 countries in the world. What **country** do you live in? _____

15. There are 50 states within your country. What **state** do you live in? _____

16. There are about 1,299 municipalities in your state. What **city** do you live in? _____

Channahon, Crest Hill, Joliet, Plainfield, OR Shorewood

17. In an emergency situation, who would you call? **Circle one** ▶ mom / dad / other: _____

18. The phone number for that person is (_____) _____ - _____

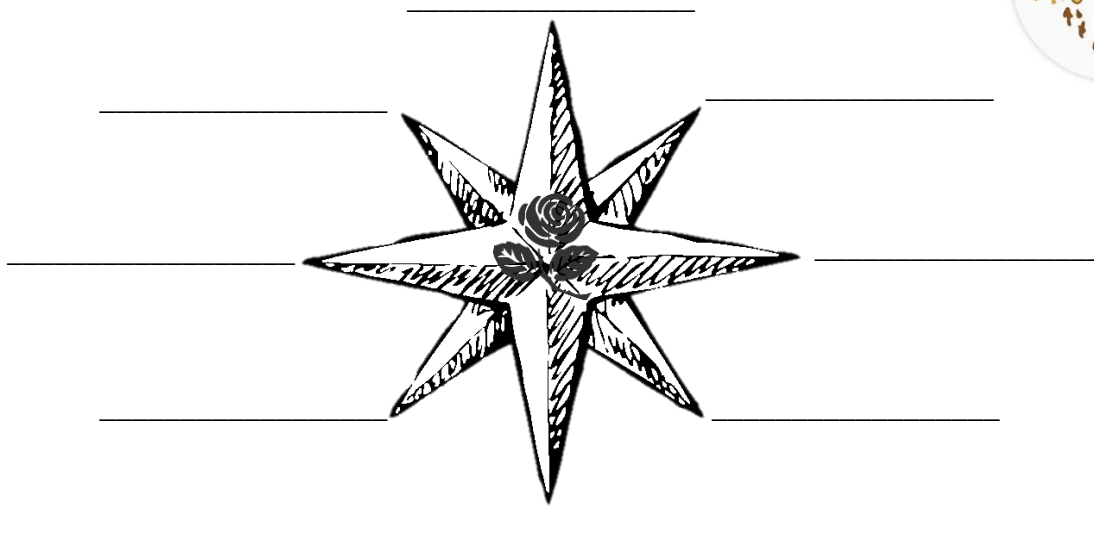
Cardinal and Intermediate Directions:

19. A compass rose shows _____ on a map.

20. List the four **cardinal directions**: _____, _____, _____, and _____.

21. List the four **intermediate directions**: _____, _____, _____, and _____.

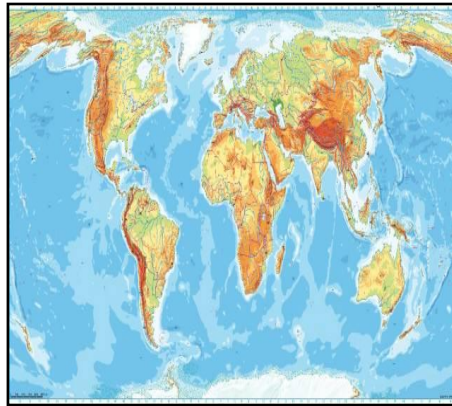
22. Label the compass rose below with all of the cardinal and intermediate directions.



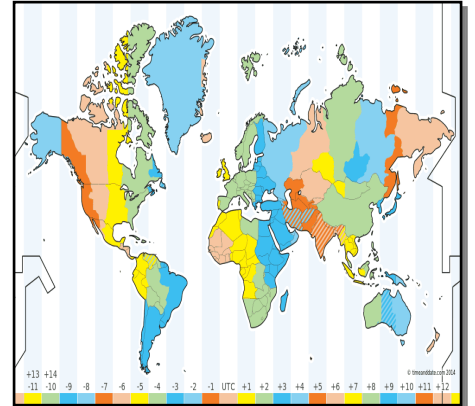
Types of Maps (H16 – H21 of Textbook): Explain the different types of maps and what they show.



Political Map



Physical Map



Time Zone Map

23. A political map shows _____

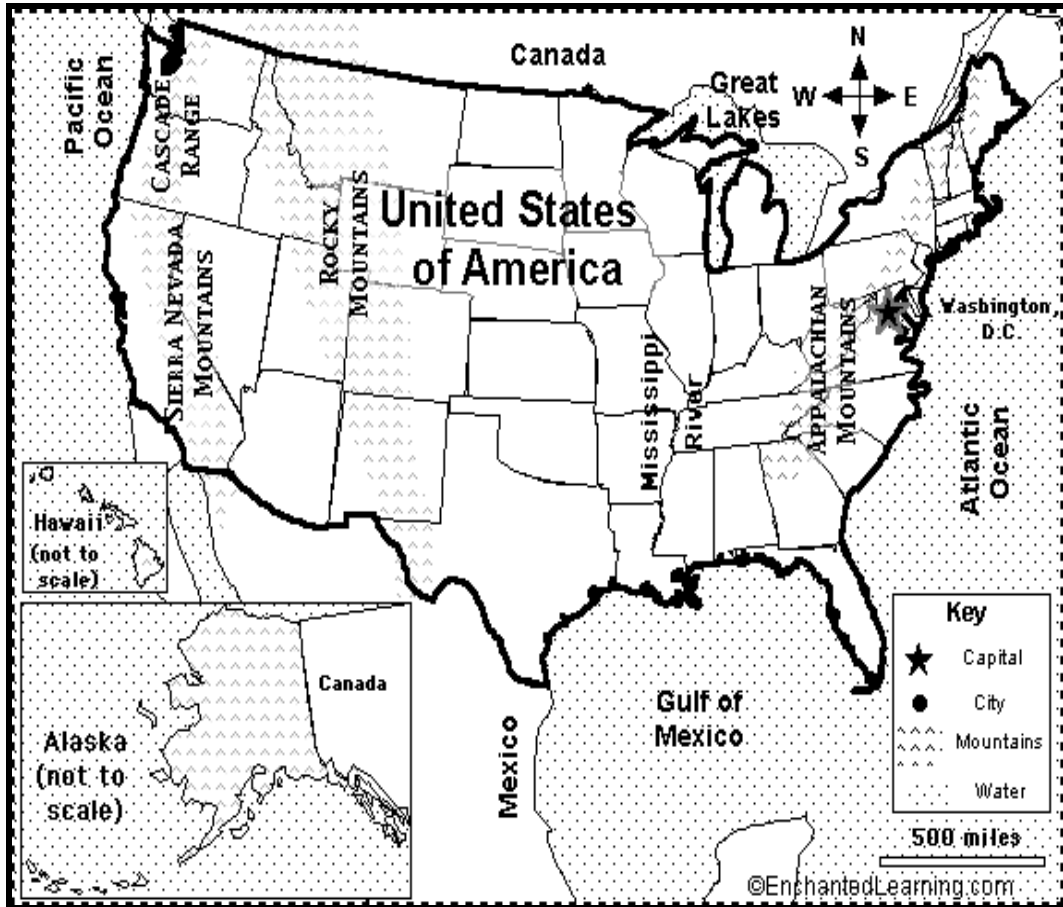
24. A physical map shows _____

25. A time zone map shows _____

26. There are _____ time zones in the world.

27. The time zone we live in is called the _____ time zone.

Map Skills / Features: Using the map below, complete 28 – 35.



28. The map **title** on the map above is _____.

29. A _____ explains the **symbols** on a map. Use this for #30 – 33 below.

30. _____ is the symbol for _____

31. _____ is the symbol for _____

32. _____ is the symbol for _____

33. _____ is the symbol for _____

34. A _____ compares a maps distance to real distance.

35. What is the **scale** on the map above? _____ **cm** is equivalent to _____ (use a ruler)

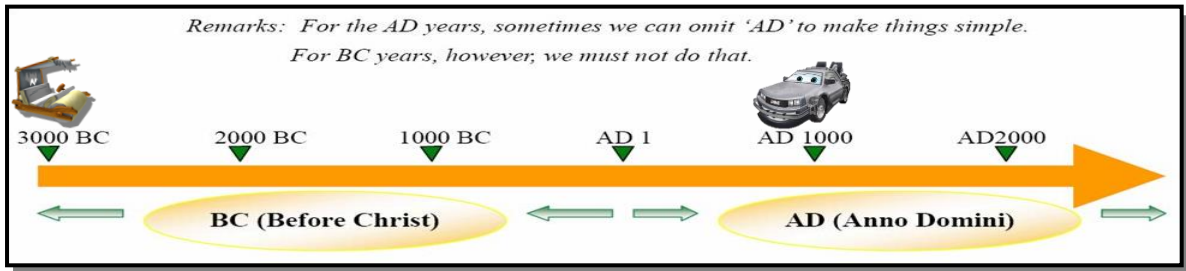
**Remember to simplify your answer and label it.*

36. An _____ is used to show another location or to zoom in.

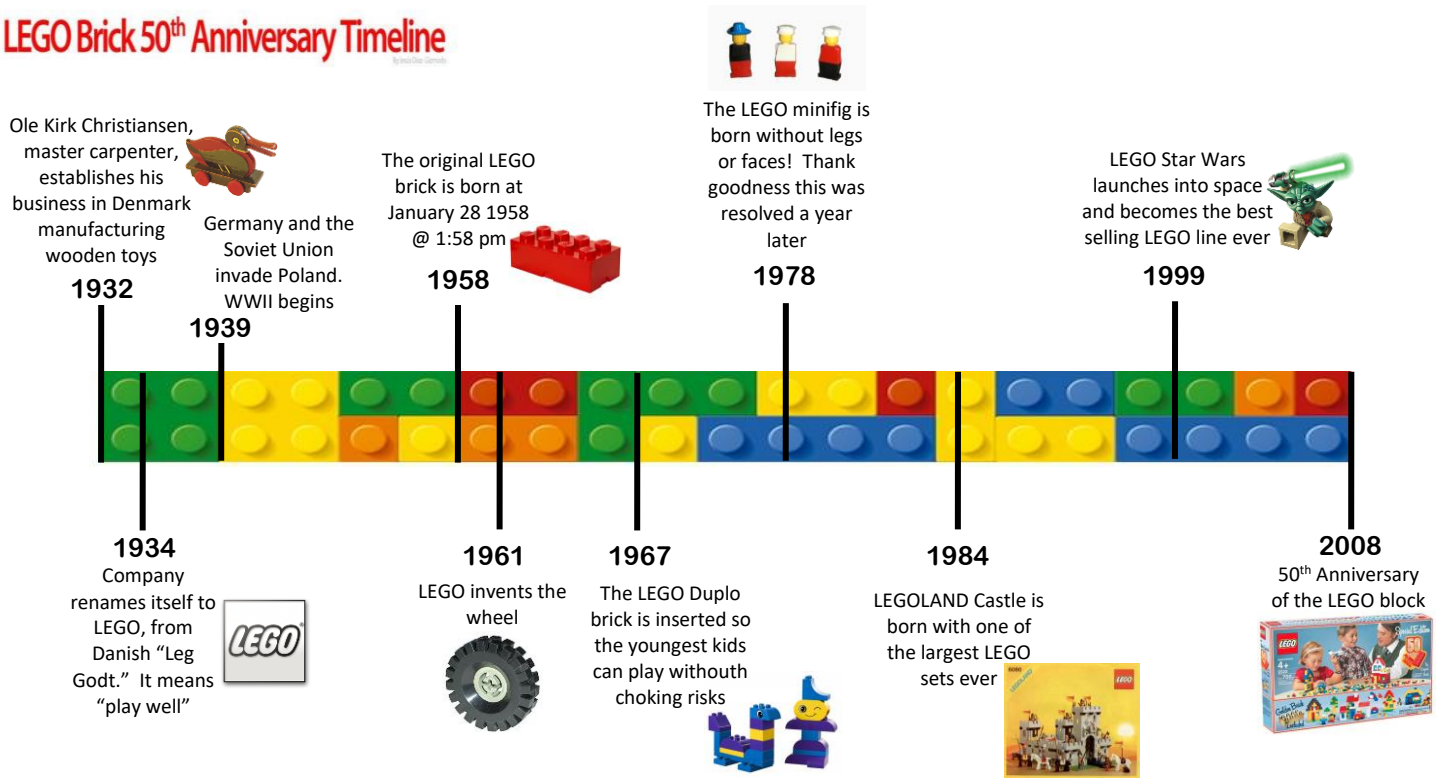
Timelines (p. 24 – 25 of Textbook)

37. The letters **B.C.** stand for _____.

38. The letters **A.D.** stand for _____ (which translates to “year of our Lord”).



LEGO Brick 50th Anniversary Timeline



39. How many years are represented on the LEGO timeline above? _____ years
(take the number all the way to right of the timeline and subtract the number all the way to the left of the timeline)

40. What year did LEGO invent the wheel? _____

41. What event occurred in 1999? _____

Government (In Class):



42. The system of rules and the people who administer / enforce them is known as _____.

43. Why are systems of government important?

Systems of government are important because

44. Here in the United States of America, our system of government is called a _____ which means we have a government run by the people. Each citizen has a say (or vote) in how the government is run. This is different from a monarchy or dictatorship where one person (the king or dictator) has all the power.



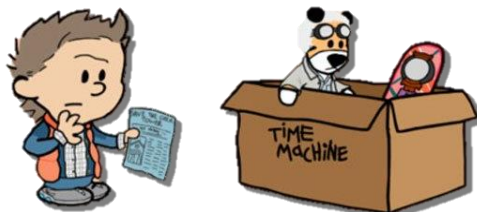
45. In the United States, the **government branch** with the job of writing new laws is the _____ branch. (**POWERS:** *crafts bills, overturns vetoes to bills, decides if laws are constitutional, declares war, approves & rejects president's appointments, & "power of the purse"*)



46. In the United States, the **government branch** that carries out the laws and directs foreign policy and national defense is the _____ branch. (**POWERS:** *approves bills, vetoes bills, directs military, makes foreign policy, & enforces laws*)

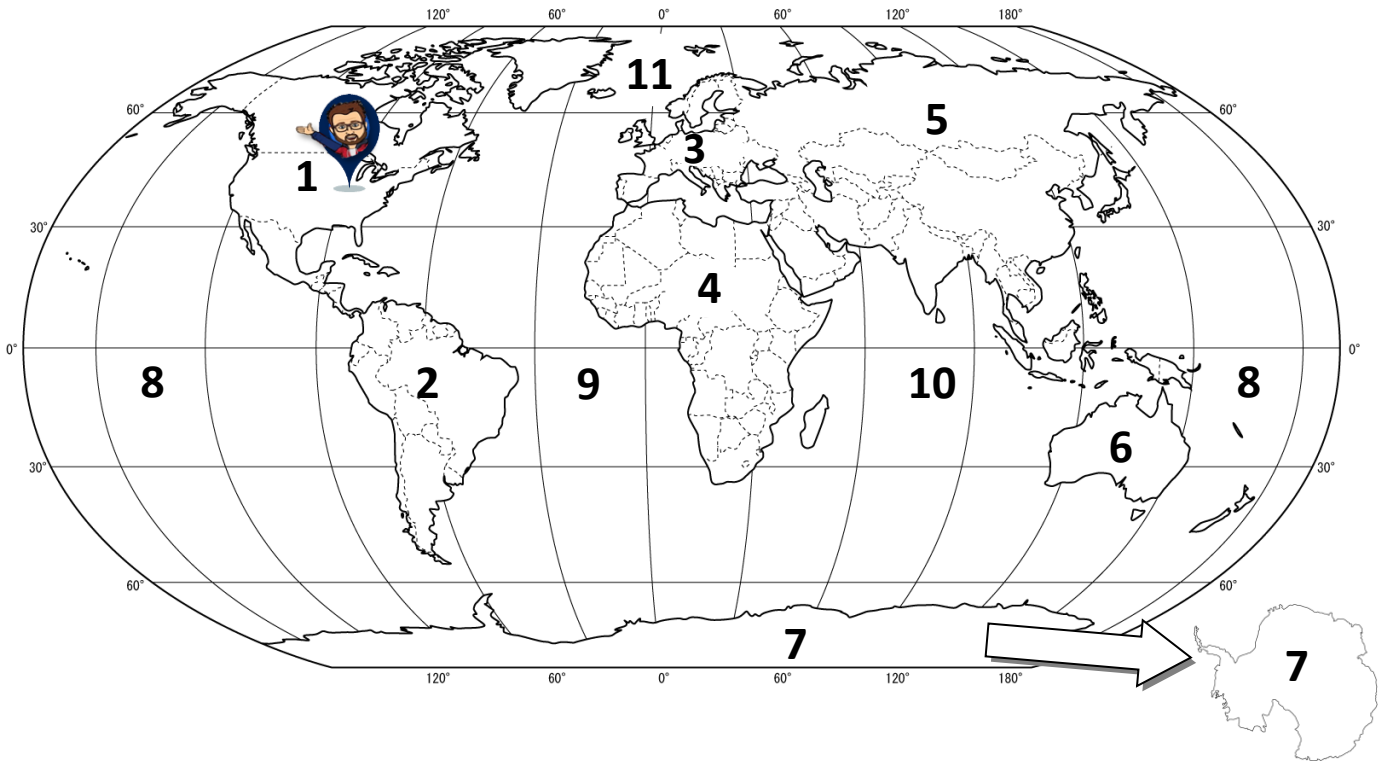


47. In the United States, the **government branch** that interprets the Constitution and shapes the law is the _____ branch. (**POWERS:** *interprets laws, decides if laws are constitutional, decides court cases, & settles cases between two or more states*)



Foundational Skills Study Guide Answer Key

Continents and Oceans of the World: Label the continents (7) and oceans (4) on the lines below the map.



1. North America
2. South America
3. Europe
4. Africa
5. Asia
6. Australia
7. Antarctica

8. Pacific Ocean
9. Atlantic Ocean
10. Indian Ocean
11. Arctic Ocean

Where I Live: Complete the following questions about where you live. Remember to use capital letters when writing proper names and spell them all correctly.

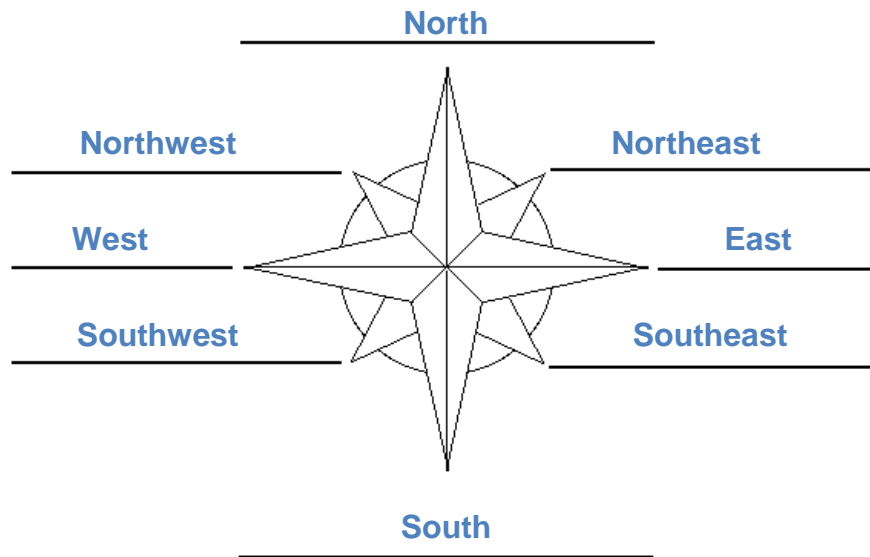
12. There are eight planets orbiting the sun. What **planet** do you live on? Earth
13. There are seven continents on our planet. What **continent** do you live on? North America
14. There are about 192 countries in the world. What **country** do you live in? United States of America
15. There are 50 states within your country. What **state** do you live in? Illinois
16. There are about 1,299 municipalities in your state. What **city** do you live in? Channahon, Crest Hill, Joliet, Plainfield, OR Shorewood

Cardinal and Intermediate Directions:

19. A compass rose shows directions on a map.
20. List the cardinal directions: North, East, South, and West.
21. List the intermediate directions: Northeast, Southeast, Southwest, and Northwest.

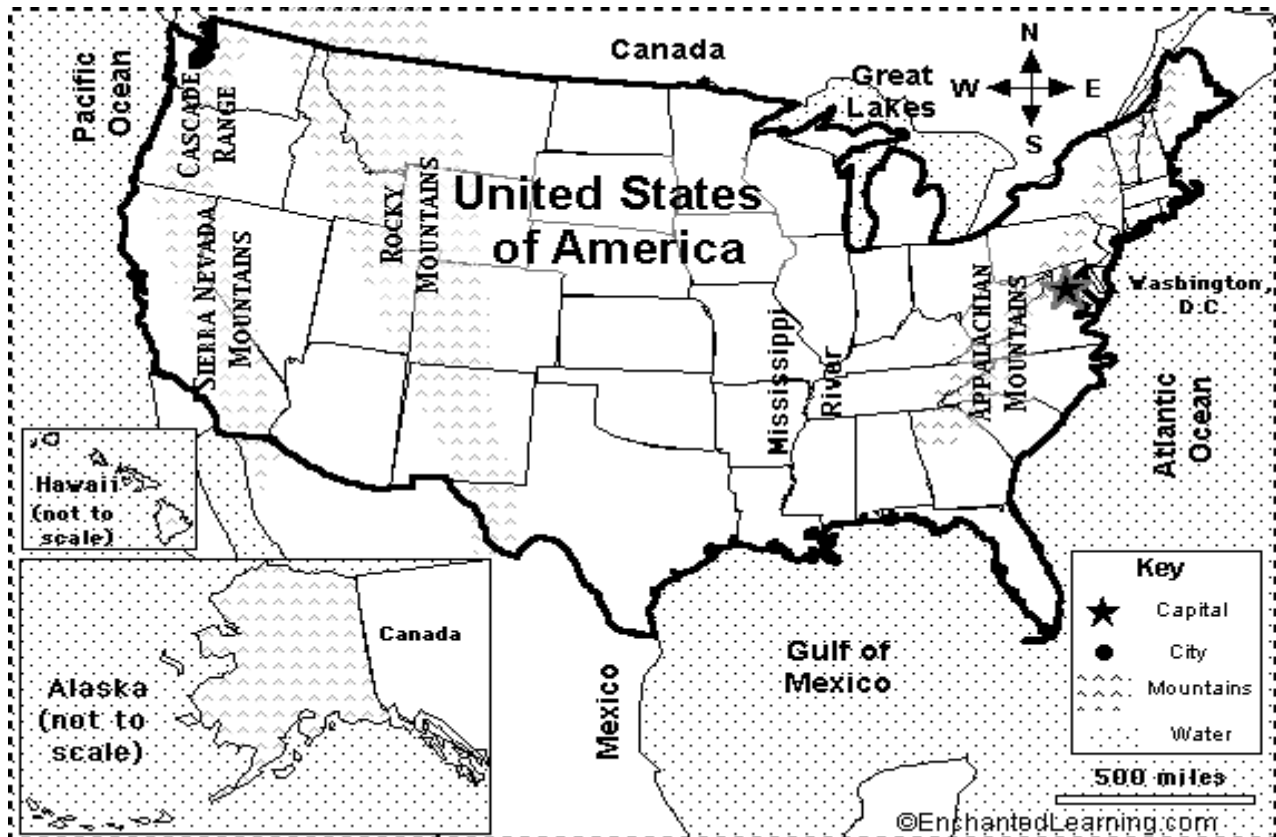


22. Label the below compass rose with the eight cardinal and intermediate directions.



23. A **political map** shows how people have divided places into countries, states, cities, and other units using borders
24. A **physical map** shows what the surface of the Earth looks like; primary purpose is to show landforms like deserts, mountains and plains.
25. A **time zone map** shows the time zones of the world (24 time zones)
26. There are 24 time zones in the world.
27. The time zone we live in is called the central time zone.

Map Skills: Using the map below, complete 28–35.



28. The map title on the map above is [United States of America](#)
29. A [map key \(legend\)](#) explains the symbols on a map.
30. ★ is the symbol for [capital](#)
31. ● is the symbol for [city](#)
32. ▲▲▲ is the symbol for [mountains](#)
33. ●●● is the symbol for [water](#)
34. A [map scale](#) compares a map's distance to real distance.
35. What is the scale on the map above? 1 cm is equivalent to [250 miles](#) (use a ruler)
36. An [inset map](#) is used to show another location or to zoom in.

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38. The letters A.D. stand for [Anno Domini](#) (the year of our Lord).



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(take the number all the way to left of the timeline and subtract the number all the way to the right of the timeline)
40. What year did LEGO invent the wheel? 1961
41. What event occurred in 1999? LEGO Star Wars launches into space. It becomes the best selling LEGO line of all time.

Government (In Class):

42. The system of rules and the people who administer / enforce them is known as government.
43. Why are systems of government important?
Systems of government are important because they can establish rules/laws that protect the people. Governments also act as a way to enforce the rules. BUT governments should also not be too powerful. Limiting the power of a government is important because it helps keep things fair and equal, it prevents one person or one group of people from having all the power, and promotes the common good.
44. Here in the United States of America, our system of government is called a democracy which means we have a government run by the people. Each citizen has a say (or vote) in how the government is run. This is different from a monarchy or dictatorship where one person (the king or dictator) has all the power.



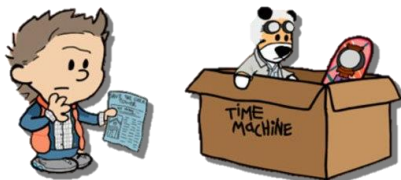
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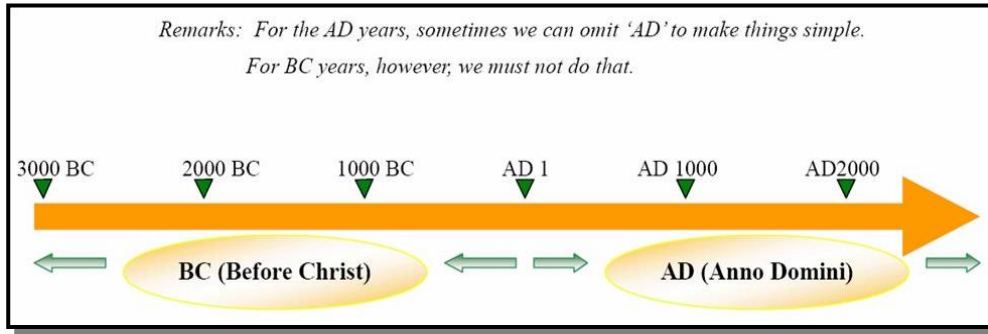


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EXTRA. **Review "Parallel Time Lines" found on pages 24-25 of your textbook. You should be able to:

1. Determine the amount of years represented on a time line.
 - a. Start with the biggest number (it will be at one of the ends) and then subtract the smallest number (it will be at the other end). This will be your answer.
2. Locate events on a time line and be able to sequence events in chronological order.



EXAMPLE

8000 years ago 7000 years ago 6000 years ago 5000 years ago 4000 years ago 3000 years ago 2000 years ago

8000 Start with the biggest number (it will be at one of the ends)
 - 2000 Subtract the smallest number (it will be at the other end)
 6000 This is your answer. This timeline represents 6000 years of history.

1. 14000 years ago 12000 years ago 10000 years ago 8000 years ago 6000 years ago 4000 years ago 2000 years ago

This timeline represents _____ years of history.

2. 20000 years ago 19000 years ago 18000 years ago 17000 years ago 16000 years ago 15000 years ago 14000 years ago

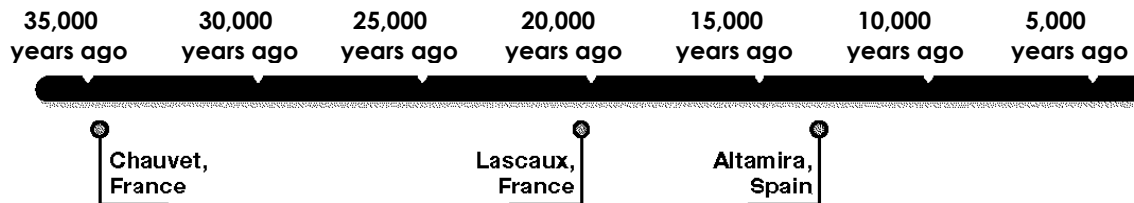
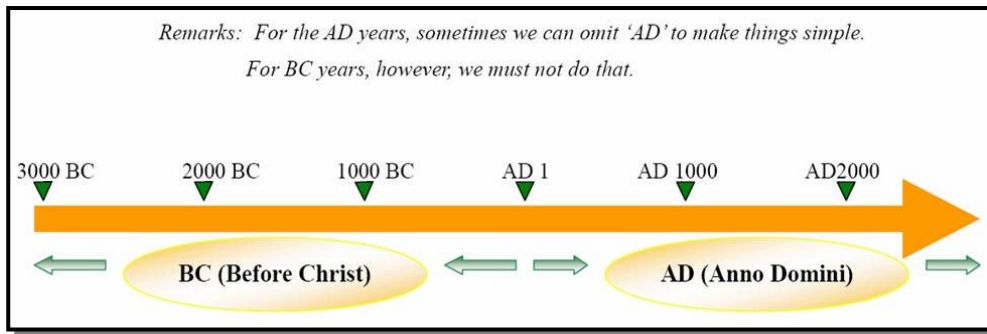
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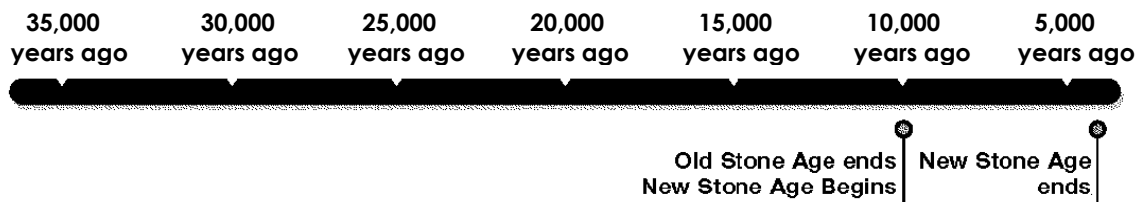
Use with timeline questions

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Cave Art Paintings



The Stone Age