

Where in the World Is ...?
Know Your States, Countries, Continents, and Oceans

Introduction

Throughout this course, you will need to know—without using maps, globes, or electronic devices—where various States and foreign countries are located. These are facts that really are expected of any high school graduate. So over the next few days, you'll have a chance to learn and show what you know about US and World Geography.

When you finish, keep your maps in an easy-to-find section of your ES notebook, so you can check it whenever you need to.

Part 1 – The United States (up to 5 pts.)

On the US map provided, write the full name or 2-letter abbreviation for every state. For states which are too small, draw an arrow outside its boundaries and place the name or abbreviation there.

On the world map, also show where Hawaii (HI) and Alaska (AK) are located.

Part 2 – Selected Continents and Water Bodies around the World

On the world map, label the 7 continents (up to 3 pts.):

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| North America | South America | Africa | Australia |
| Asia | Europe | Antarctica | |

Next, label these oceans and seas (up to 6 pts.)

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|--------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Atlantic Ocean | Pacific Ocean | Indian Ocean |
| Arctic Ocean | Southern Ocean (south of 60 ° S latitude) | |
| Gulf of Mexico | Caribbean Sea | Mediterranean Sea |
| Persian Gulf | Red Sea | Bering Sea |
| North Sea | South China Sea | Sea of Japan |
| Gulf of California | 2 others _____ and _____ | |

Part 3 – Selected Countries

On the world map or continent maps, label these countries (up to 6 pts.)

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| United States | Canada | Mexico |
| Brazil | Argentina | Chile |
| Colombia | Ecuador | Panama |
| 3 other Latin America countries _____ | | |

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| China | Japan | Korea |
| India | Pakistan | Afghanistan |
| Iraq | Iran | Jordan |
| Israel | Syria | Saudi Arabia |

3 other Asian Countries _____

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| Egypt | Libya | Tunisia |
| Algeria | Somalia | Congo |
| Nigeria | Botswana | Zimbabwe |
| Senegal | Morocco | South Africa |

3 other African countries _____

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| England | Scotland | Ireland |
| France | Spain | Portugal |
| Italy | Germany | Norway |
| Sweden | The Netherlands (Holland) | |

3 other European countries _____

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| Philippines | New Zealand | Fiji |
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In the spaces below, answer these questions.

- 1) Why is being “geographically literate” a good thing for a 21st century adult?

- 2) If there were two countries you could visit, tell why you’d like to go there.
