

# Landforms and Maps (Scavenger Hunt)

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**DIRECTIONS:** For each image below, do the following:

1. Read the text next to the picture. It will tell you something important about what you're looking for.
2. Find the picture on one of the maps in the room.
3. When you find the picture on a map, write the Letter Clue for that map on your sheet in the blank.
4. When you have found all the letter clues, write them in the corresponding blanks in the Secret Code section. For example, if the letter clue you found for 1 was 'G', write the letter 'G' in the (01) blank.

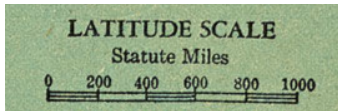
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## PART ONE: IMPORTANT MAP FEATURES

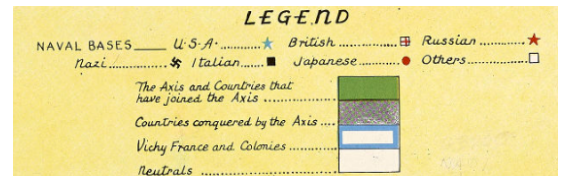


1. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

Many maps use a **scale** to explain how big the area on the map is in real life. Find this picture of a scale from a map about plane routes.

2. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

A lot of times, maps will have a **key** or a **legend**, that tells us what the symbols on it mean. Find this key for a map made during World War 2.

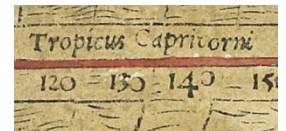


3. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

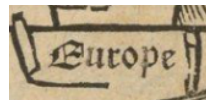
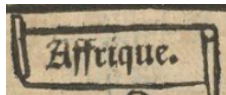
Many maps have a **compass rose**, which shows where north, south, east, and west are on the map. North has a bigger arrow than the others. Find the map with this compass rose.

4. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

Maps of large areas often have lines showing how far north or south a place is (**latitude**) and how far east or west a place is (**longitude**). Find the map with these longitude and latitude lines.



## PART TWO: EARTH'S SEVEN CONTINENTS



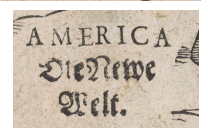
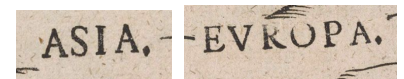
5. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

Geographers split the world's major land expanses into continents. Now we have seven continents, but before the 1500s, geographers only knew of three continents. Find the

map in Old French that only has three continents: **Asia**, **Africa**, and **Europe**.

6. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

After Europeans knew of the New World, geographers taught that there were four continents. They had not yet decided that America should be separated into **North America** and **South America**. Find the map that shows these four continents.



7. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

Australia was the second-to-last continent to be explored by Europeans. For a long time, maps only showed the western coast of **Australia**, because the other side had not been explored. Find the map showing only the western coast of Australia.

8. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

Geographers guessed that there was a southern continent long before anyone found **Antarctica**. They called it “Terra Australis Incognita” meaning Unknown Southern Land or just “Terra Incognita” meaning Unknown Land.



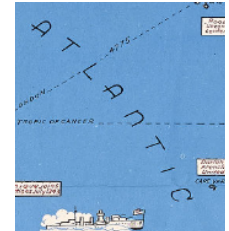
9. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

Some early geographers thought that the continent we know as Australia was part of the Unknown Southern Land. They thought that the island of Papua New Guinea might be attached as well. Find the map combining these southern lands. (Translation: “New Guinea, recently discovered. Whether this is an island or part of the Southern continent is uncertain.”)

PART THREE: EARTH’S FIVE OCEANS

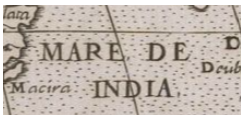
10. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

The ocean that separates North America and Asia is called the **Pacific Ocean** today. Find the map that calls it “Mare Pacificum,” Latin for Peaceful Sea.



11. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

The ocean closest to Maine is the **Atlantic Ocean**. Find the map from WW2 that shows the Atlantic.



12. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

The ocean found between Africa and Asia is the **Indian Ocean**. Find the map that calls it “Mare de India,” meaning Sea of India.



13. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

The last two oceans are the **Arctic Ocean** and the **Antarctic Ocean** (also called Southern Ocean). Find the map labeling these two oceans.

PART FOUR: OTHER LANDFORMS

14. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

A **Lake** is a body of water that is surrounded by land. The most famous U.S. lakes are the Great Lakes. Find the map with Lake Ontario, Lake Erie, Lake Huron, Lake Michigan, & Lake Superior.

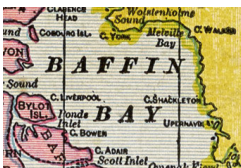


15. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

A **Peninsula** is a piece of land that is attached to a continent, but is mostly surrounded by water. A good example of a peninsula is the Korean Peninsula in Asia.

16. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

A **Gulf** is the opposite of a peninsula. It’s a body of water that is attached to an ocean, but is mostly surrounded by land. A good example of a gulf is the Gulf of Mexico.



17. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

A **Bay** is like a gulf in that it is a body of water connected to the ocean but mostly surrounded by land. A good example of a bay is Baffin Bay, which is between Canada and Greenland. Find the map that shows Baffin Bay.

18. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

A **Cape** is land that juts out into the ocean, such as Cape Horn at the tip of South America.



19. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

A **River** is flowing stream of water. It can flow into a lake, another river, or the ocean. A **Canal** is a manmade river. Find the map that shows the River Ganges in India. (“Flu” is Latin for river).

20. Letter Clue: \_\_\_\_\_

An **Island** is a piece of land surrounded by water. People used to think that California was an island.

