

United States Physical Map Activity

Name _____

Follow the instructions in class to label the physical map as we go over it. Per. ____ Date _____ Row ____

NOTE: Please label in BLUE ink

Atlas pp. 26-27

Absent when we did this? Use pp. 68-69 of your textbook to do this. Use the style of lettering (capitals or mixed case) as you see in the book. Place the items as closely to where they are in the book as you can.

1. What is a physical map? _____
2. What colors are usually used to show high elevations (mountain ranges)? _____
3. What color is used to show plateaus and plains? _____
4. What color is used to show low elevations (lowlands, flood plains)? _____
5. What is the purpose of the compass rose? _____
6. What country is north of the United States? _____
7. What country is south of the United States? _____
8. What ocean is on the east coast of the United States? _____
9. What ocean is on the west coast of the United States? _____

*Only check these off **AFTER** you have labeled them on your map. Do **NOT** label things I have not assigned.

Bodies of water (use **CAPITAL LETTERS** except for the Bering Strait):

- ___ 10. Atlantic Ocean
- ___ 11. Pacific Ocean (by the mainland – near California)
- ___ 12. Pacific Ocean (by Hawaii)
- ___ 13. Gulf of Mexico
- ___ 14. Great Lakes (label across the 4 northern lakes)
- ___ 15. Bering Strait (between Alaska and Russia; use **Mixed Case Letters**)

Rivers (use **Mixed Case Letters** and label **along** the river)

- ___ 16. Mississippi River (upper section)
- ___ 17. Mississippi River (lower section)
- ___ 18. Missouri River
- ___ 19. Ohio River
- ___ 20. Rio Grande
- ___ 21. Colorado
- ___ 22. Columbia

Mountain ranges, etc. (use **CAPITAL LETTERS**, except for Central Valley; label **along** the feature)

- ___ 23. Appalachian Mountains
- ___ 24. Great Plains
- ___ 25. Rocky Mountains
- ___ 26. Sierra Nevada (California/Nevada)
- ___ 27. Central Valley (California) (use Mixed Case Letters)

States and Countries (use **CAPITAL LETTERS** and label **across** the place):

- ___ 28. Alaska
- ___ 29. Hawaii
- ___ 30. Canada
- ___ 31. Mexico

Cities: use **Mixed Case Letters** and label as you see modeled on the screen or in the book. Do not abbreviate:

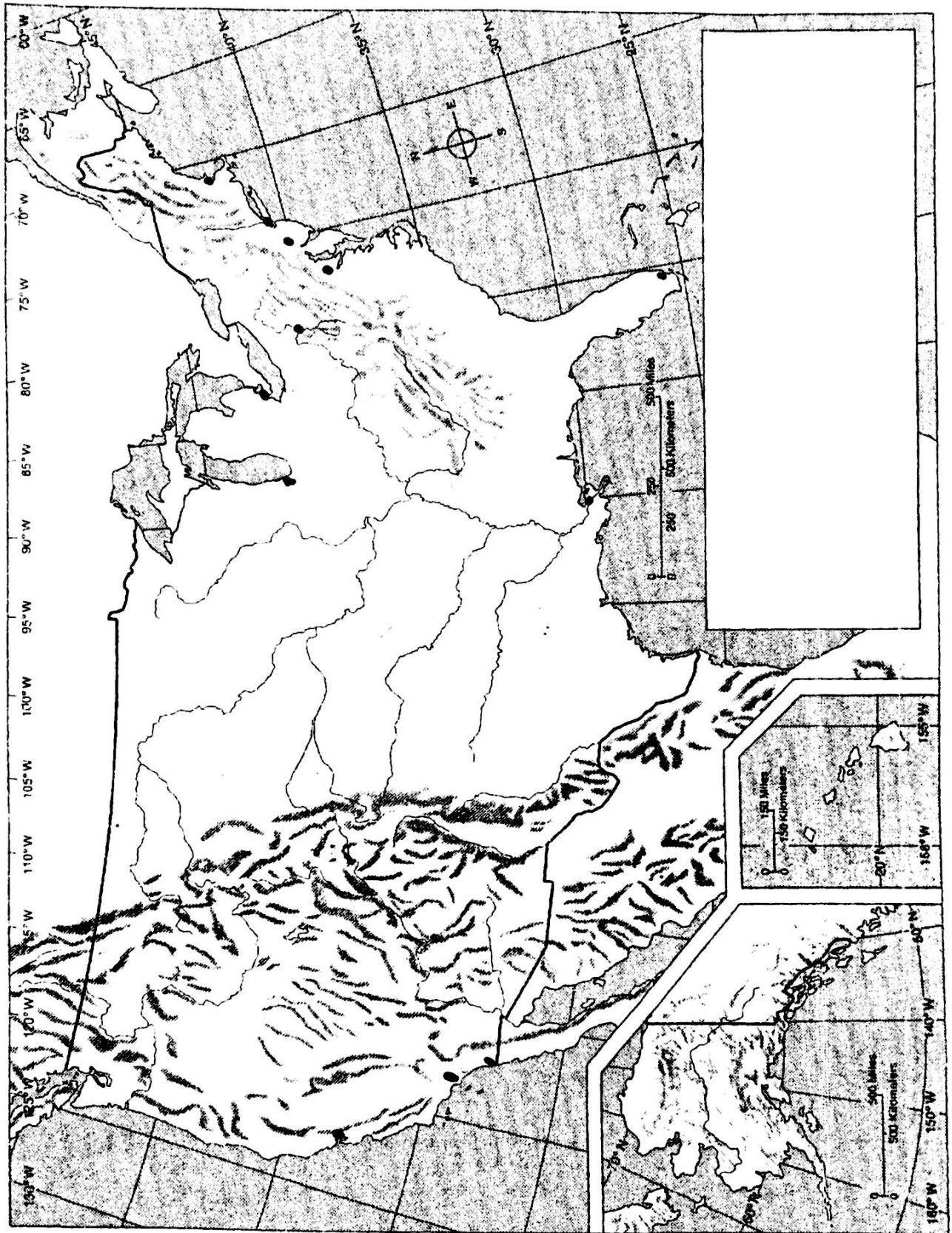
- ___ 32. Boston
- ___ 33. Philadelphia
- ___ 34. New York City
- ___ 35. Washington, D.C.
- ___ 36. Miami
- ___ 37. Pittsburgh
- ___ 38. Detroit
- ___ 39. Chicago
- ___ 40. New Orleans
- ___ 41. San Francisco
- ___ 42. Los Angeles
- ___ 43. San Diego
- ___ 44. Honolulu

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Historical Outline Map