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Dear Advanced Placement Human Geography Students,

Welcome to the Mount Notre Dame learning community! As noted in the Course Selection Book, there is a summer assignment required for AP Human Geography. The purpose of this assignment is to prepare you for our course. The assignment is specifically designed to help familiarize you with the location of key world regions, landforms and cities, and to strengthen your critical thinking and note-taking abilities.

The files for our assignments can be found on the Academics section of the MND website. Go to www.mndhs.org, click the Academics link at the top of the page, and then click on the Summer Assignments link on the left side. You will see the following two files associated with this course:

Advanced Placement Human Geography Welcome Letter and Map Packet

World Geography; Building a Global Perspective Chapter One Section One

The first part of your assignment is to complete the enclosed map packet. It is expected that students will have their map packet completed the first day of AP Human Geography class. Packets will be graded for completion and then returned to students to be utilized to study for map quizzes that will occur throughout the course. To prepare you for success on the AP exam, tests will be difficult. Therefore, map quizzes can be an excellent grade booster, so take your time preparing your maps so that they will be an excellent resource to study from. Mount Notre Dame will provide an atlas which can be used to complete this assignment. The atlas can be picked up from the main office during the summer and is yours to keep.

The second part of your assignment will be to read and take your own notes on chapter one, section one of *World Geography; Building a Global Perspective*. It is important that you begin the process of becoming familiar with the basic concepts before the actual class begins. Our time together is limited, and the amount of material to be covered is vast. To gain the most benefit from our time together we want to build upon a strong base as soon as possible. It is important to acclimate to the material, so you can come to class with some exposure and we can take it to the collegiate level. You are truly prepared when you have a firm grasp of what you think you know as well as what you would like further clarification on.

The requirement to take notes on what you read is very important. The collegiate text assignment is very dense and full of definitions, examples, statistics, and case studies. This high school level intro will serve you well. There are no specific requirements for your notes regarding length, style, or format. I leave those criteria completely open to you as a learner. As your instructor I will look at your notes to get a sense of your individual learning style and current method of organizing complex information. That will form a baseline from which we will attempt to improve your effectiveness and efficiency.

The textbook material will be made available to you as a PDF file. This will also be due during our first class together.

Advanced Placement Human Geography is the equivalent of a collegiate level Human Geography course, and all students enrolled in this course must be committed to a rigorous course load. Keep in mind the following: *Students who fail to complete, or do poorly on their summer assignment, will have their placement in the course reevaluated and may lose their placement in the course. Please take this assignment seriously.*

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions at all. I can be reached at bvanoudenallen@mndhs.org at any time. I would like to congratulate you on your academic achievement. I am confidant you will find great success at Mount Notre Dame and I look forward to helping you explore our world!
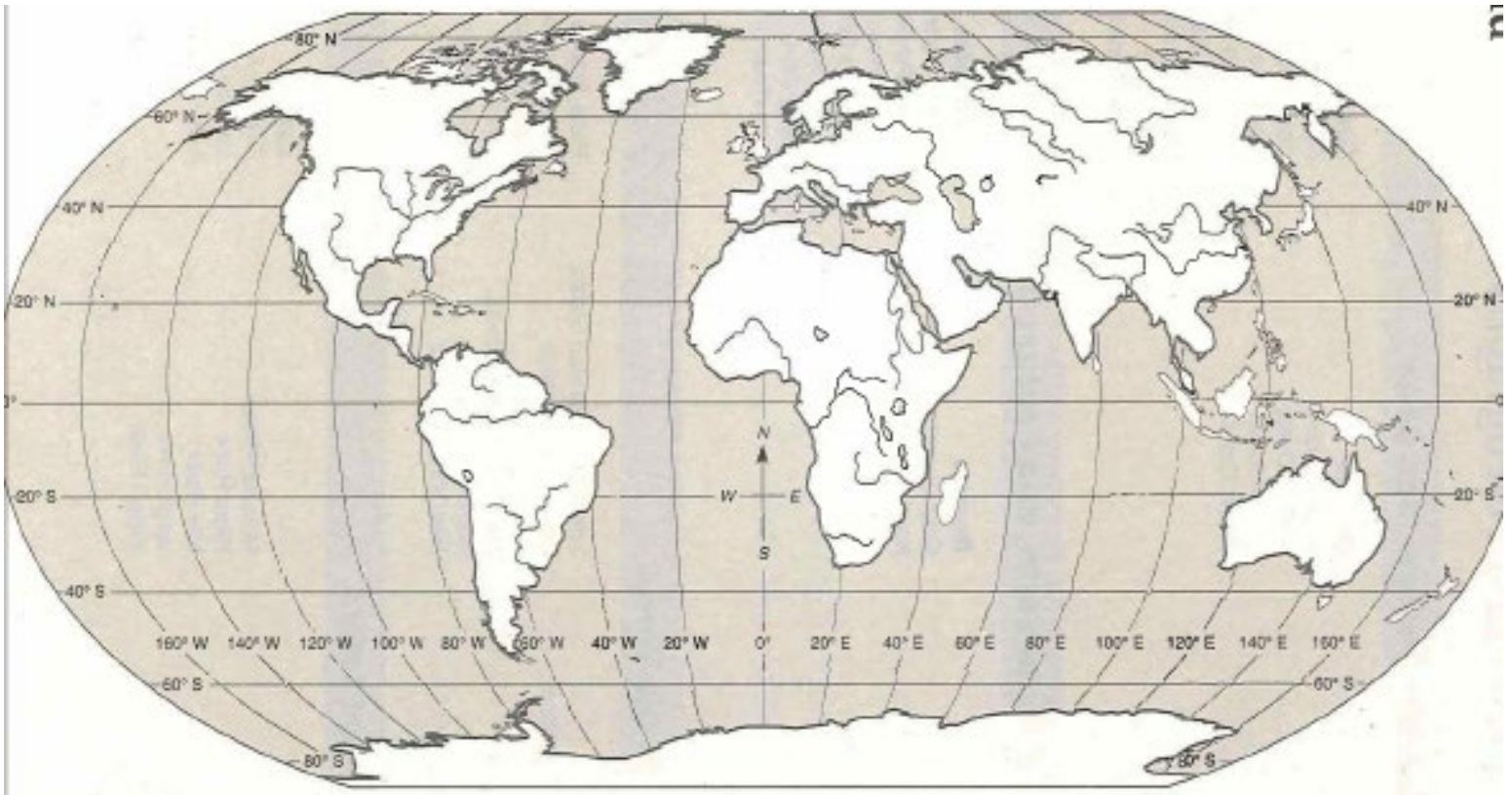
All the best,

Benn VanOudenallen
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Asia
Europe
North America
South America
Antarctica
Australia
Africa

Arctic Ocean
Pacific Ocean
Indian Ocean
Atlantic Ocean
Mediterranean Sea
Arabian Sea
Caribbean Sea

Prime Meridian
Equator
Tropic of Capricorn
Tropic of Cancer

Mississippi River
Danube River
Niger River
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Rio Grande River
Parana River
Congo River
Huang River
Yangtze River
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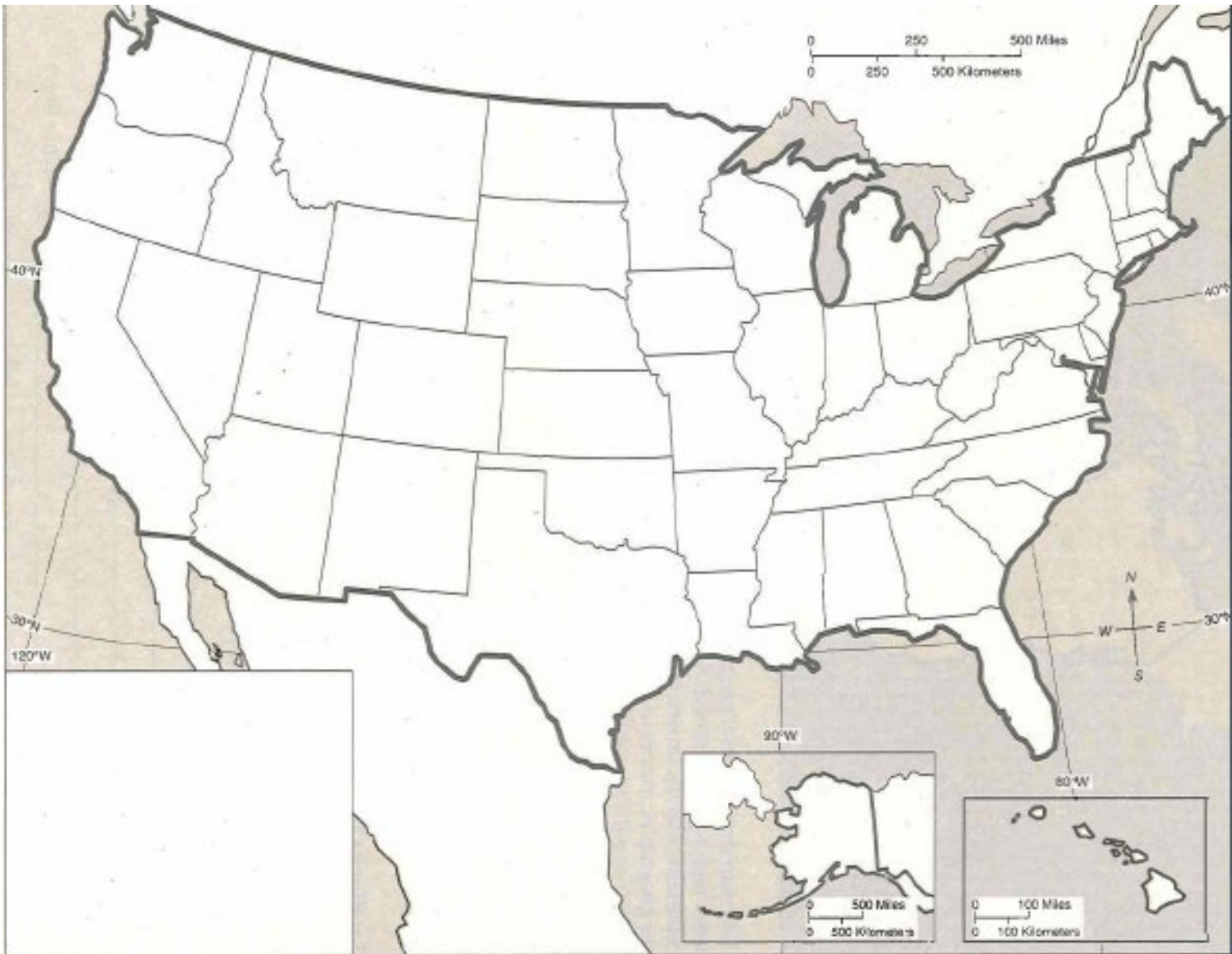Ganges River
Brahmaputra River

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Philadelphia	Salt Lake City
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Baltimore	San Diego
Cleveland	Los Angeles
Detroit	San Francisco
Pittsburg	Portland, OR
Atlanta	Seattle
New Orleans	Milwaukee
St. Louis	Kansas City
Chicago	Cincinnati
Dallas	Miami
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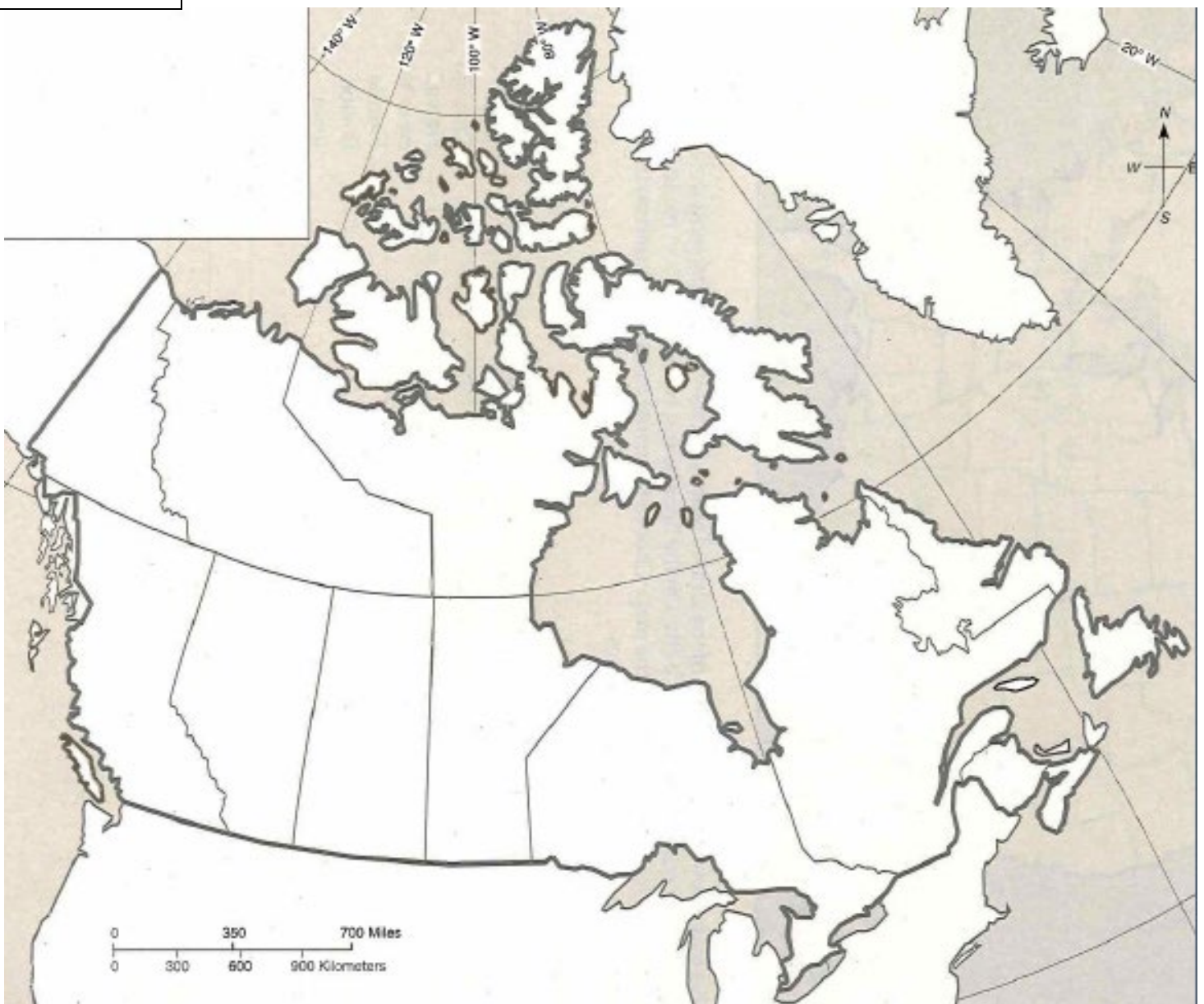
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Bering Sea	Appalachian Mountains
Hudson Bay	Sierra Nevada Mountains
Gulf of St. Lawrence	Pacific Ocean
Rocky Mountains	Atlantic Ocean
Cascade Range	Arctic Ocean
Gulf of Mexico	Labrador Sea
Great Basin	Cape Cod
Rio Grande River	Great Salt Lake
Yukon River	Lake Superior
St. Lawrence River	Lake Huron
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Missouri River	Lake Ontario
Mississippi River	Lake Erie
Colorado River	
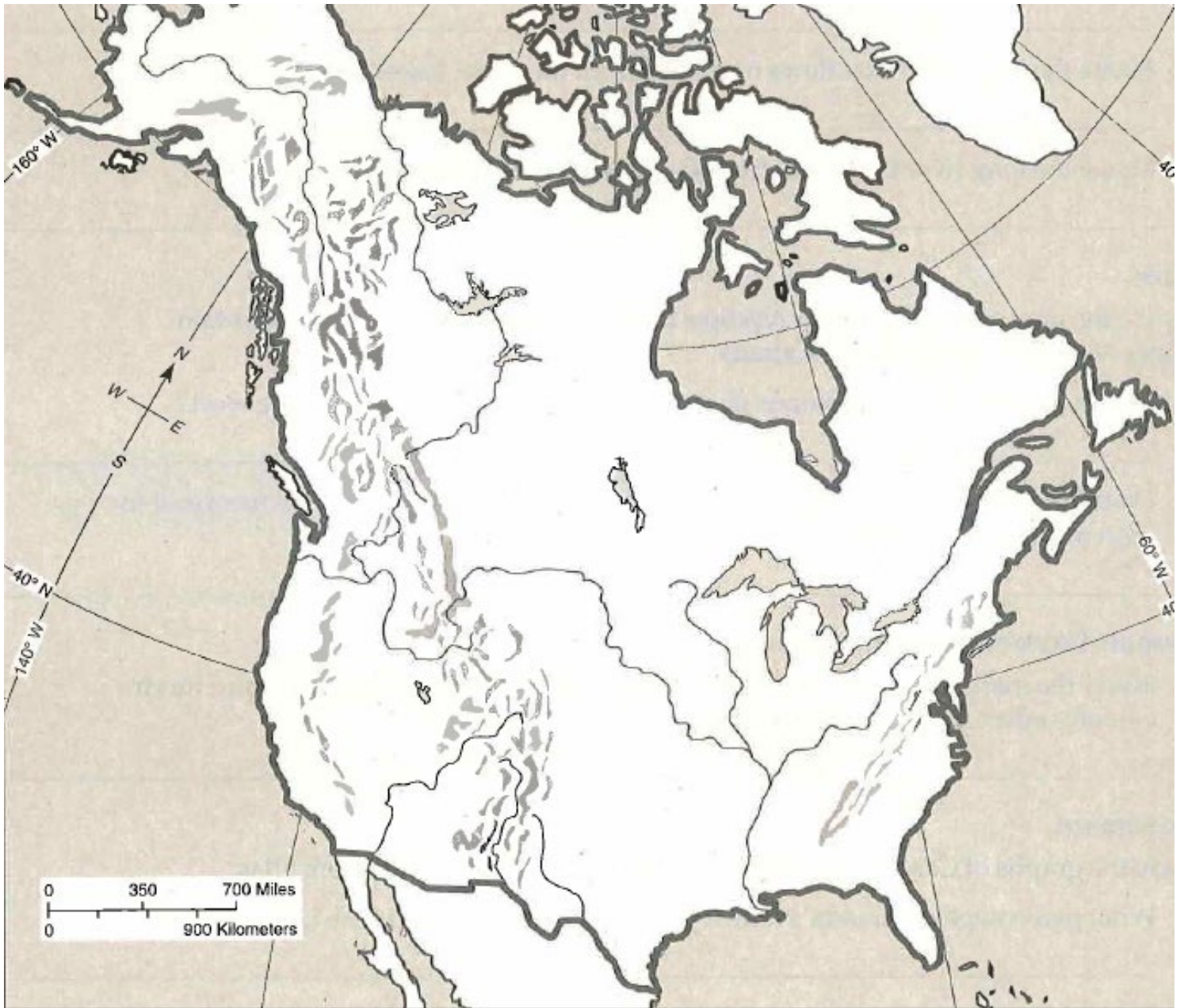
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United States of America	Mexico City	Baja California
Mexico	Tijuana	Yucatan Peninsula
Cuba	Ciudad Juarez	Sierra Madre Oriental
Bahamas	Havana	Sierra Madre Occidental
Guatemala	Port-au-Prince	Pacific Ocean
Belize		Atlantic Ocean
El Salvador		Caribbean Sea
Nicaragua		Gulf of Mexico
Costa Rica		Florida Keys
Panama		Greater Antilles
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Dominican Republic		
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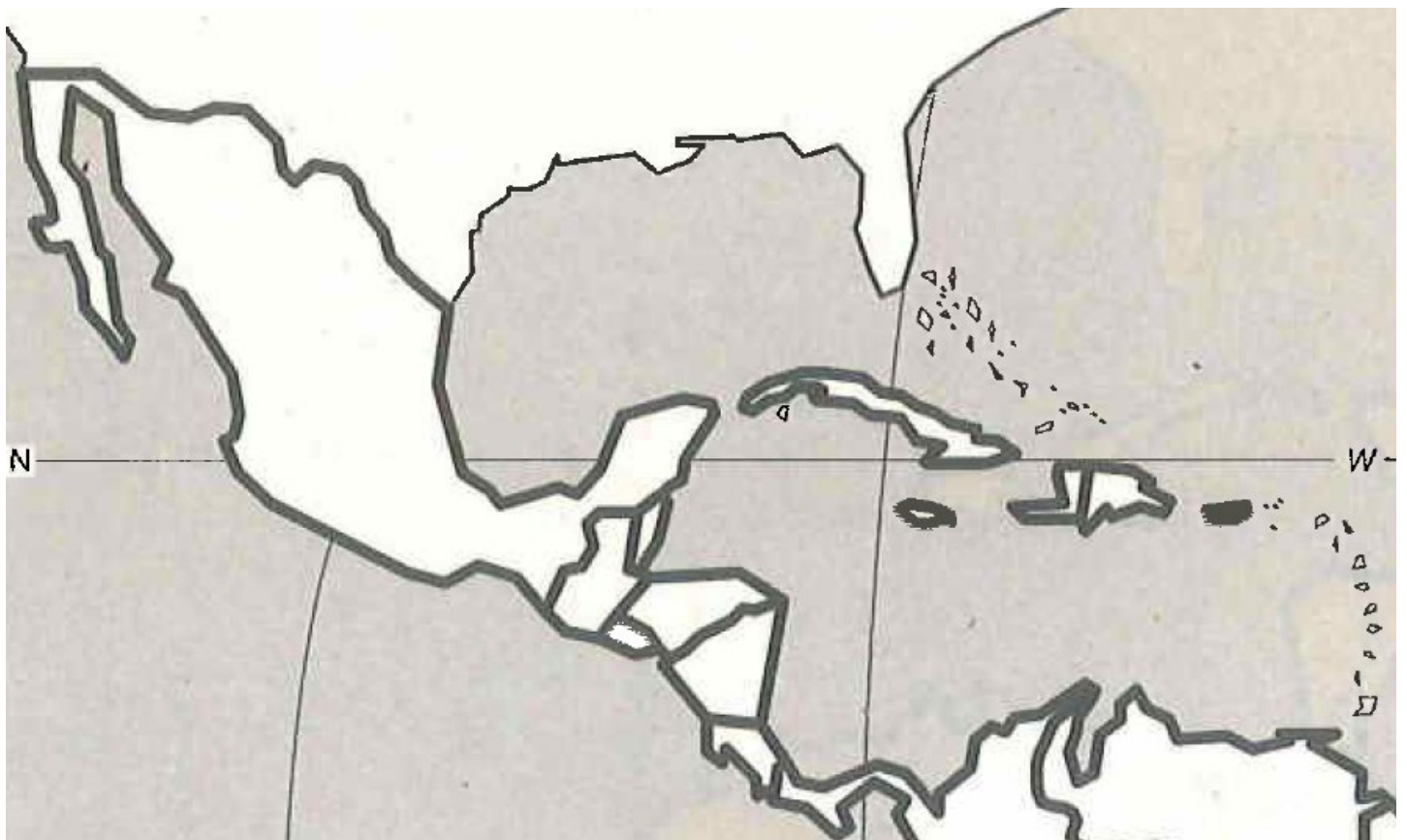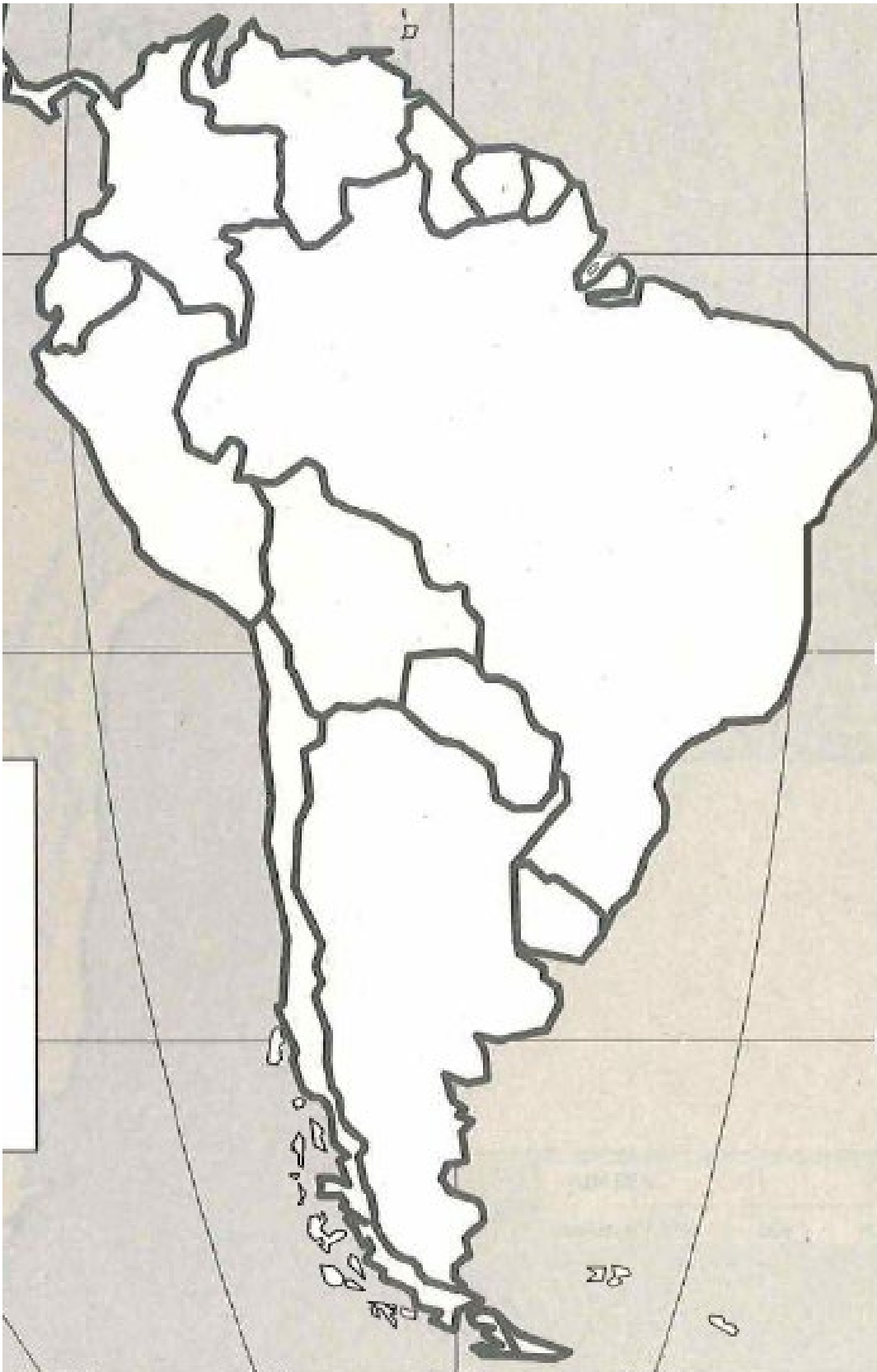
Nation-States
Ecuador
Colombia
Venezuela
Guyana
Suriname
French Guiana
Brazil
Peru
Bolivia
Ecuador
Paraguay
Argentina
Uruguay
Chile

Major Cities
Brasilia
Sao Paulo
Rio de Janeiro
Caracas
Bogota
Cali
Medellin
Buenos Aires

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Physical Features
Atlantic Ocean
Pacific Ocean
Orinoco River
Amazon River
Amazon Basin
Andes Mountains
Atacama Desert
Gran Chaco
Pampas
Rio de la Plata
Parana River
Cape Horn
Strait of Magellan

Nation-States			Major Cities	
Iceland	Italy	Norway	London	Munich
Ireland	Switzerland	Finland	Paris	Rome
U.K.	Greece	Luxembourg	Madrid	Milan
France	Netherlands		Barcelona	Hamburg
Belgium	Germany		Bern	The Hague
Spain	Sweden		Amsterdam	Athens
Portugal	Denmark		Berlin	Brussels

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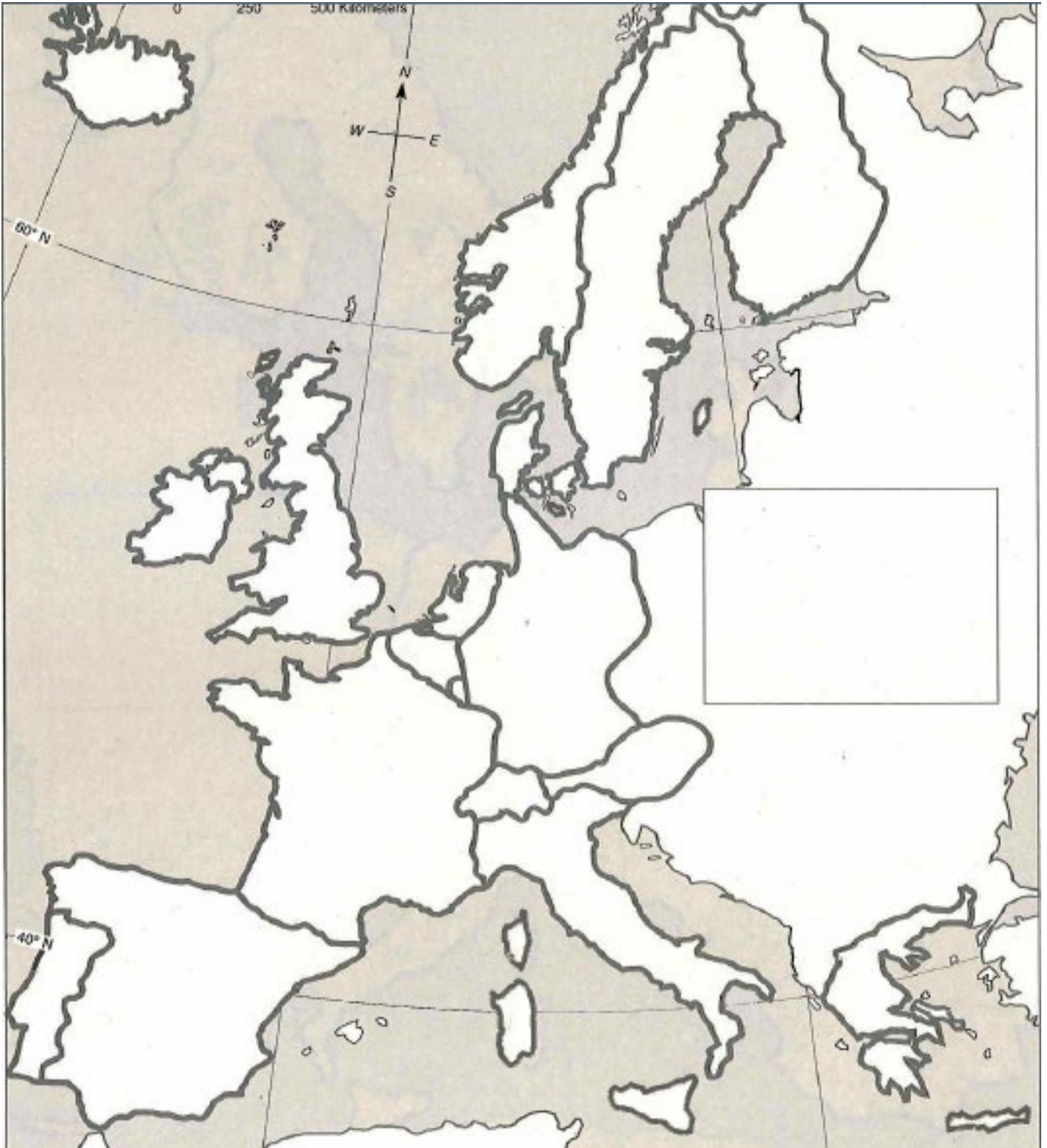
Physical Features
English Channel
Seine River
Thames River
Bay of Biscay
North Sea
Atlantic Ocean
Rhine River
Danube River
Pyrenees
Po River
Alps
Adriatic Sea
Mediterranean Sea
Strait of Dover
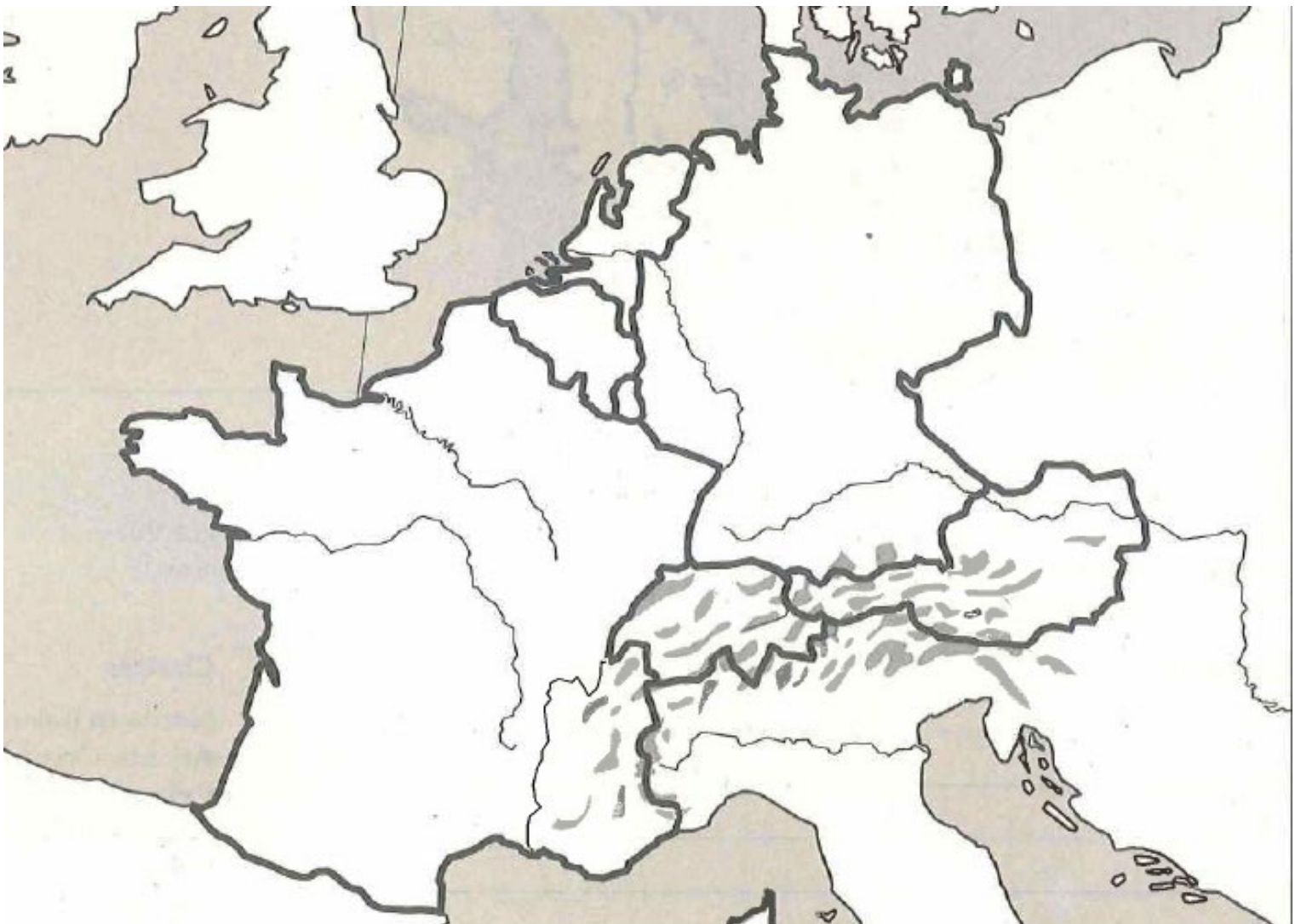
Physical Features
Iberian Peninsula
Strait of Gibraltar
Pyrenees Mountains
Mediterranean Sea
Po River
Apennines Mountains
Adriatic Sea
Ionian Sea
Aegean Sea
Corsica
Sardinia
Sicily

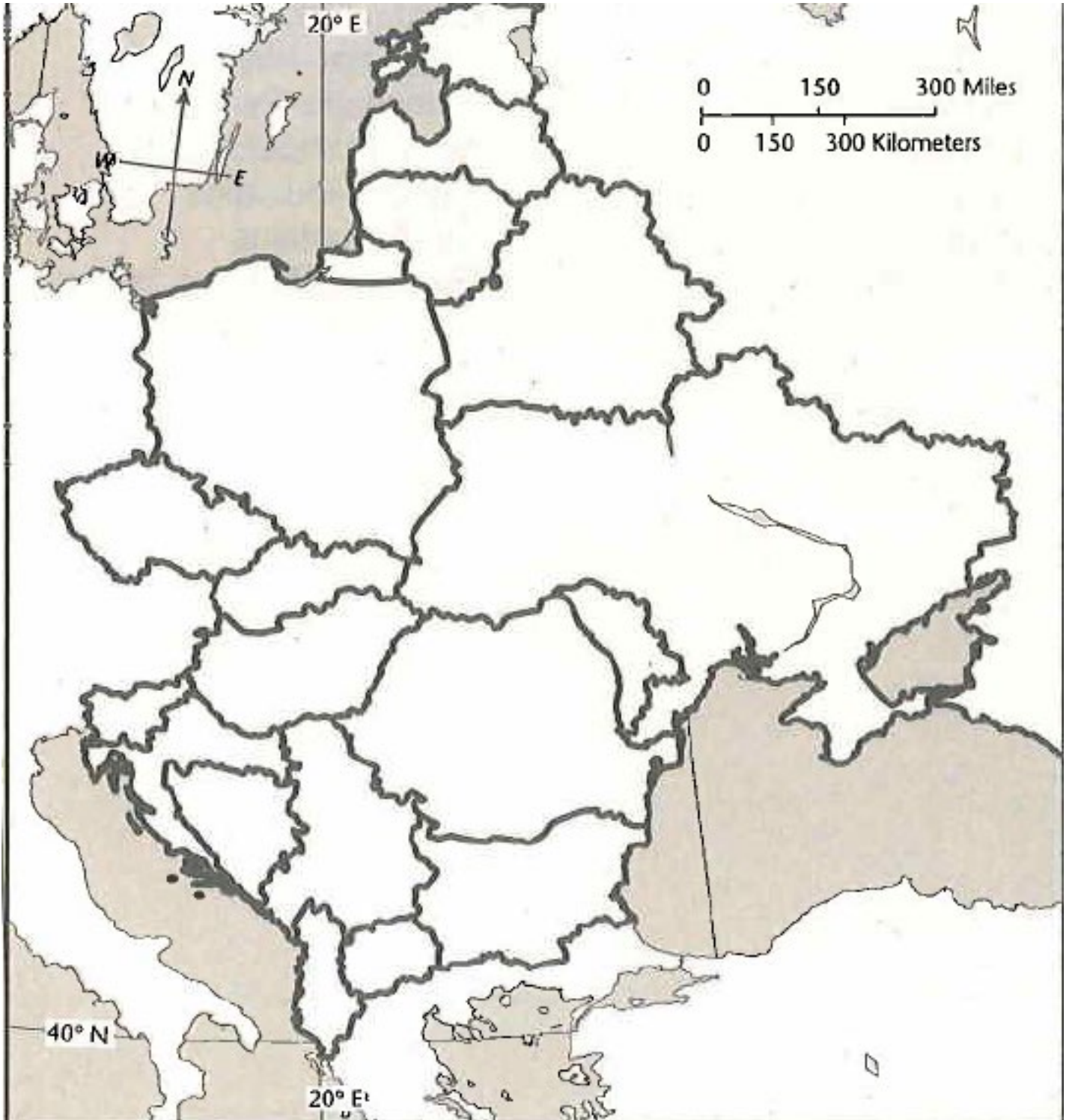| Nation-States			Major Cities	
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Latvia	Moldova	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Minsk	Sarajevo
Lithuania	Bulgaria	Montenegro	Warsaw	
Poland	Serbia	Croatia	Prague	
Russia	Macedonia	Belarus	Budapest	
Ukraine	Albania		Belgrade	
Romania	Hungary		Moscow	

Physical Features

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Dnieper River	Aegean Sea
Crimean Peninsula	Adriatic Sea
Black Sea	Baltic Sea
Vistula River	Bosporus
Danube River	
Carpathian Mountains	
Transylvanian Alps	
Dinaric Alps	
Balkan Peninsula	

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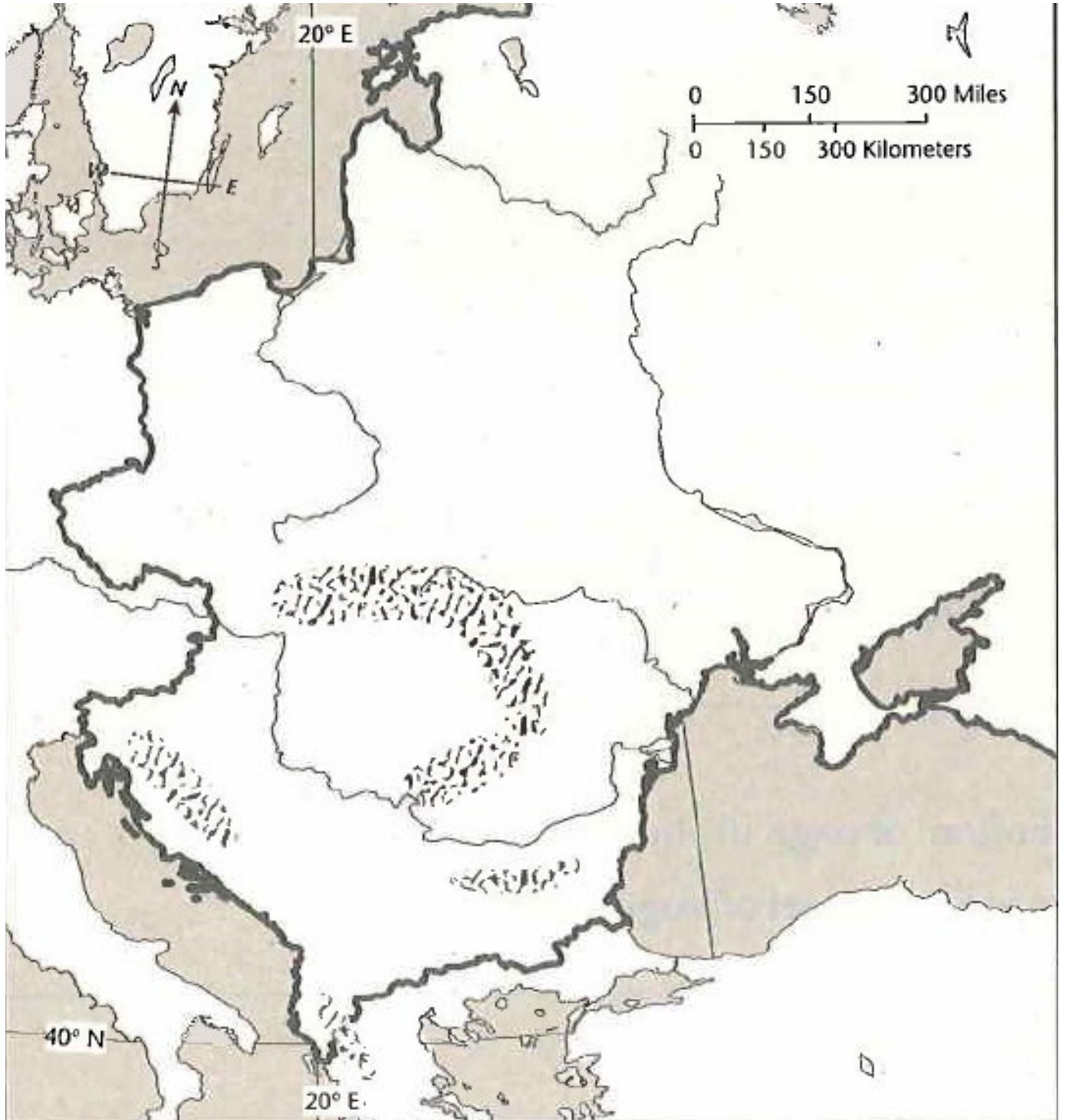
Nation-States

Turkey	Georgia
Syria	Armenia
Iraq	Azerbaijan
Jordan	Kyrgyzstan
Lebanon	United Arab Emirates
Israel	
Kuwait	
Saudi Arabia	
Qatar	
Yemen	
Oman	
Kazakhstan	
Uzbekistan	
Iran	
Tajikistan	

Major Cities

Tehran	Damascus
Baghdad	Tel Aviv
Ankara	Jerusalem
Istanbul	Amman
Abu Dhabi	Mosul
Mecca	
Medina	
Riyadh	
Beirut	
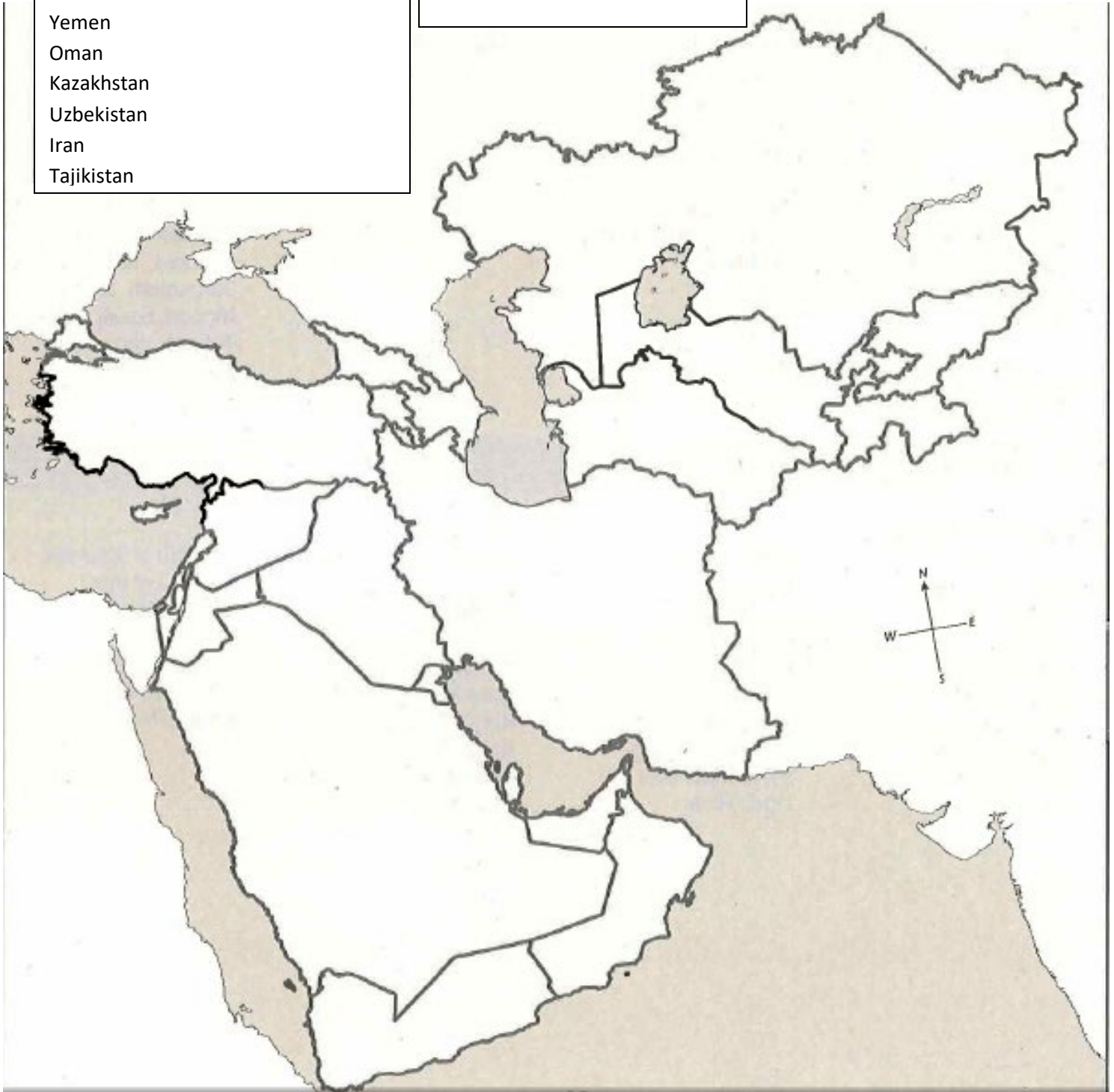
**Physical Features**

Black Sea   Arabian Peninsula

Caspian Sea   Rub al-Khali

Persian Gulf

Strait of Hormuz

Red Sea

Gulf of Aden

Arabian Sea

Gulf of Oman

Sinai Peninsula

Tigris River

Euphrates River

Amu Darya

Zagros Mountains

Elburz Mountains

Caucuses Mountains
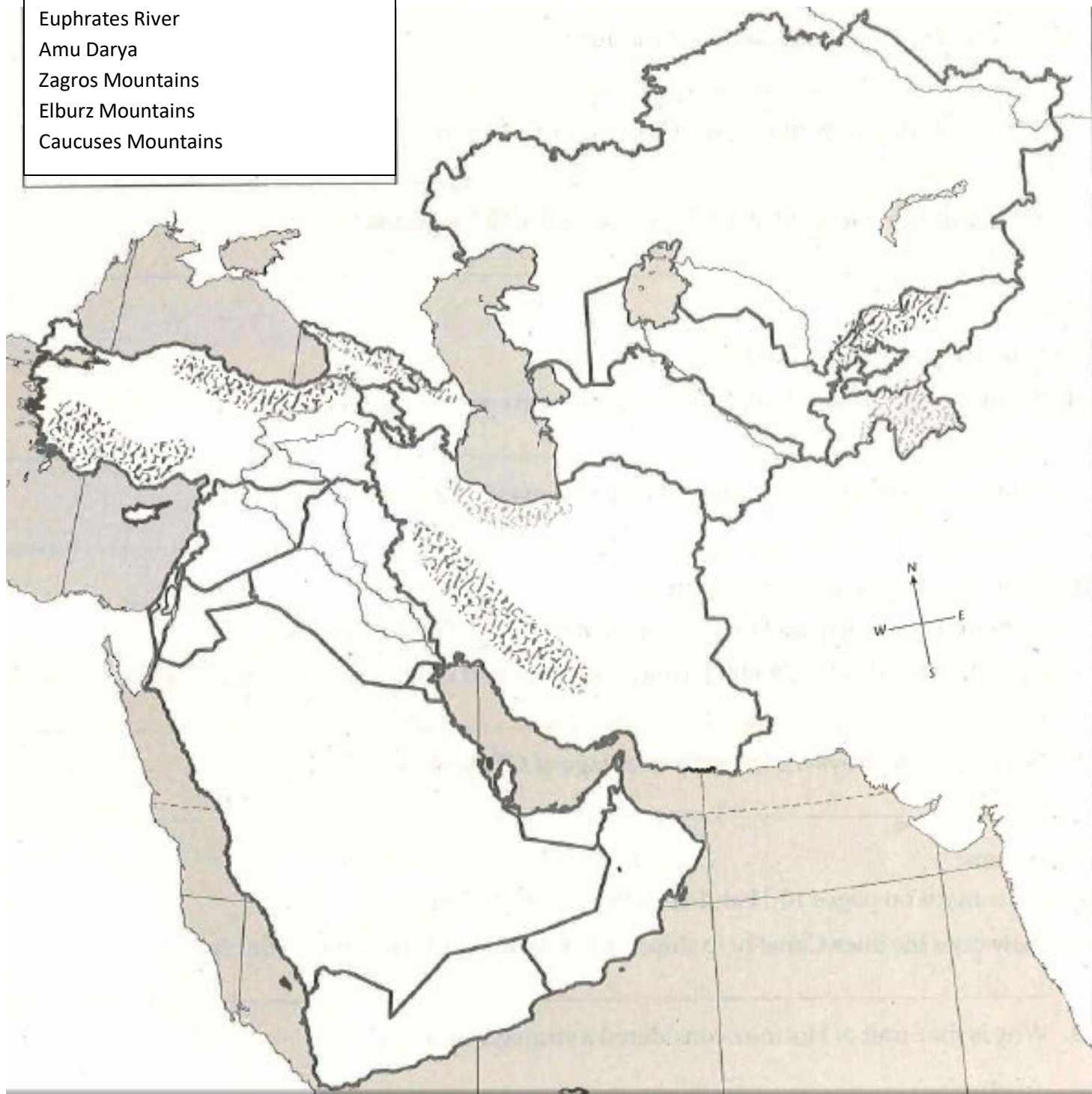
Physical Features

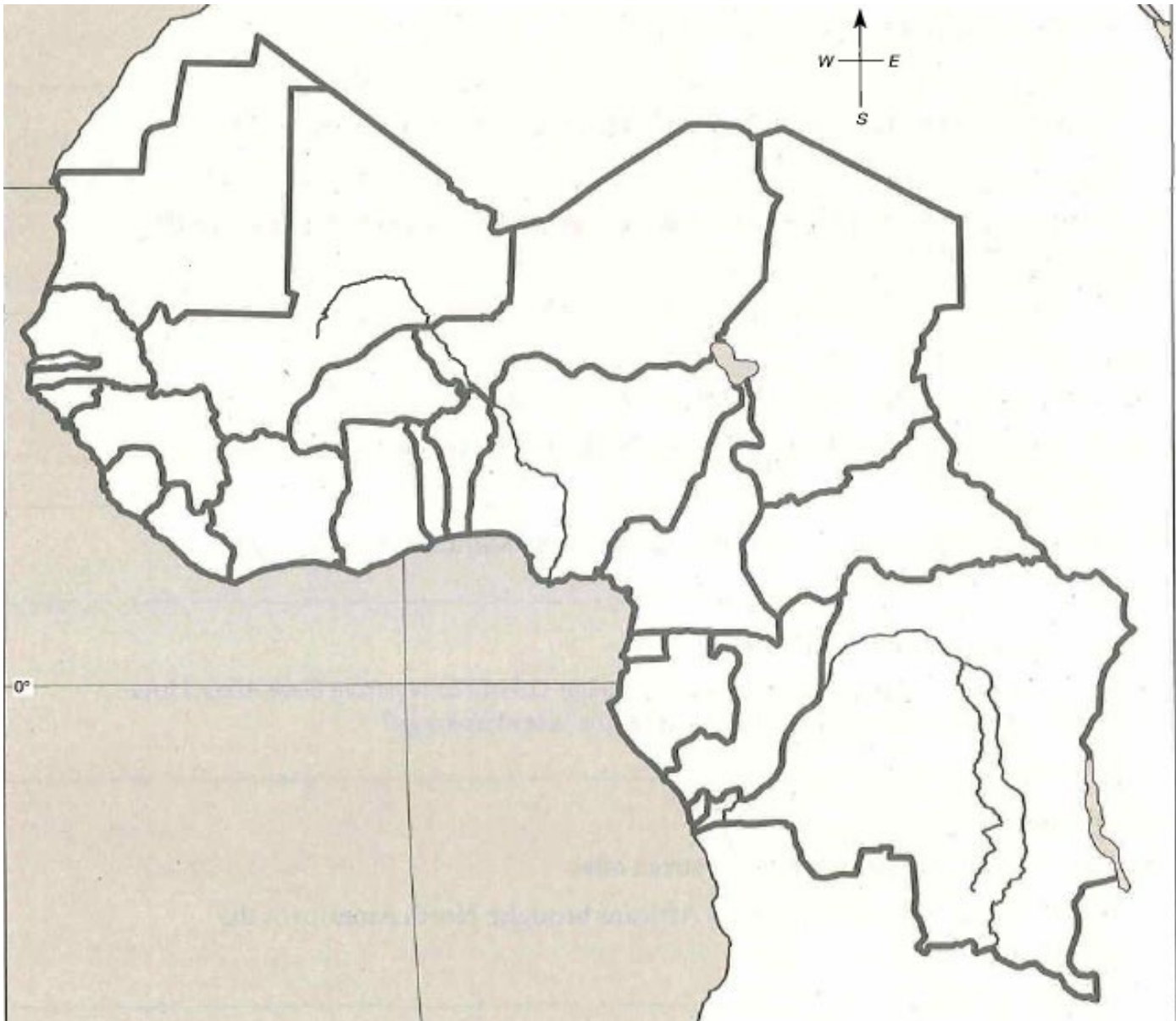|		
Orange River	Congo River	Indian Ocean
Zambezi River	Niger River	Atlantic Ocean
Nile River	Atlas Mountains	Gulf of Guinea
Blue Nile	Sahara Desert	Namib Desert
White Nile	Sahel	Drakensburg Range
Lake Victoria	Kalahari Desert	Cape of Good Hope
Lake Chad	Ethiopian Plateau	Horn of Africa
Rift Valley	Congo Basin	
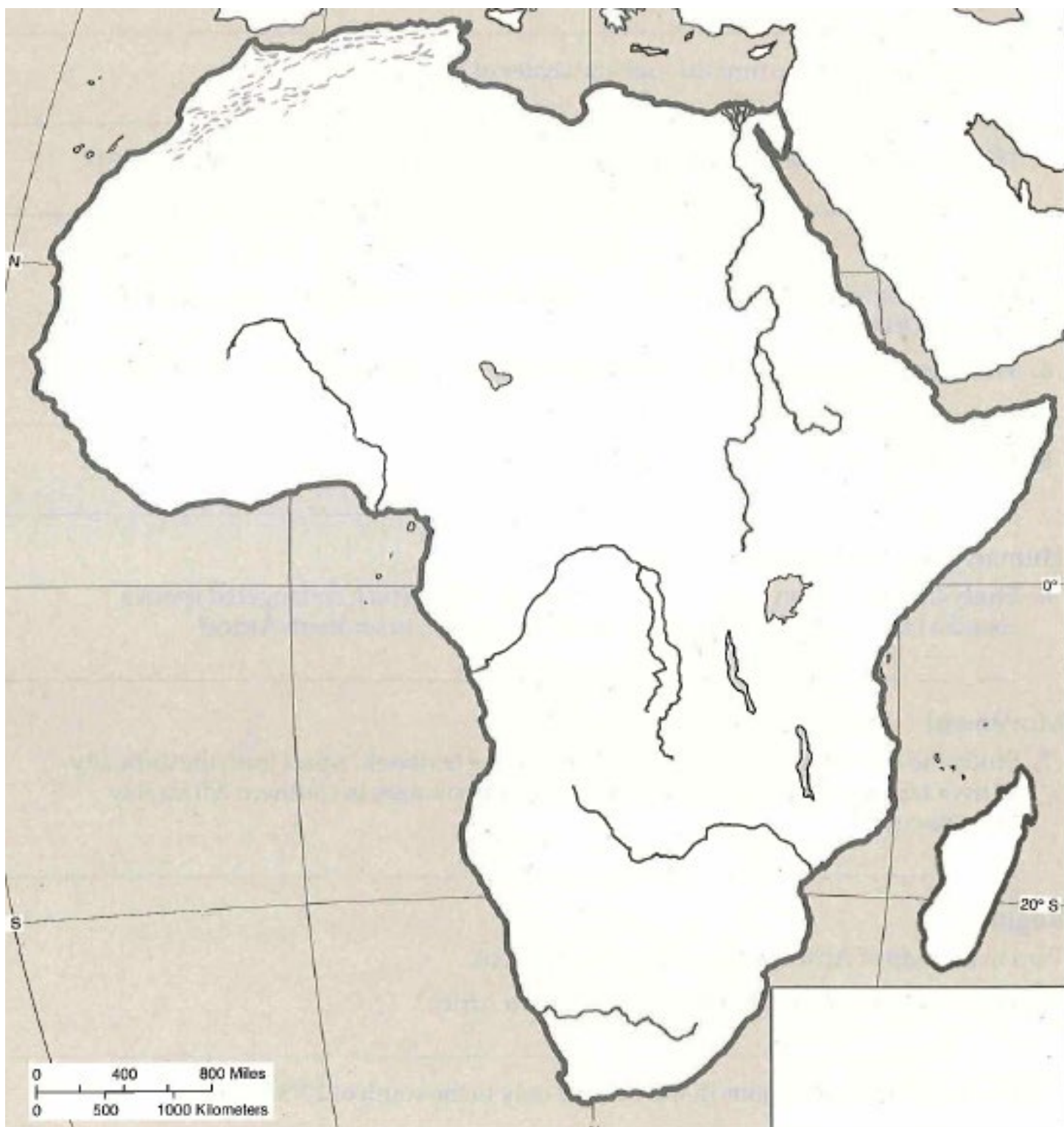
Nation-States

Western Sahara

Morocco

Algeria

Tunisia

Libya

Egypt

Major Cities

Casablanca

Rabat

Algiers

Tunis

Tripoli

Benghazi

Alexandria

Cairo
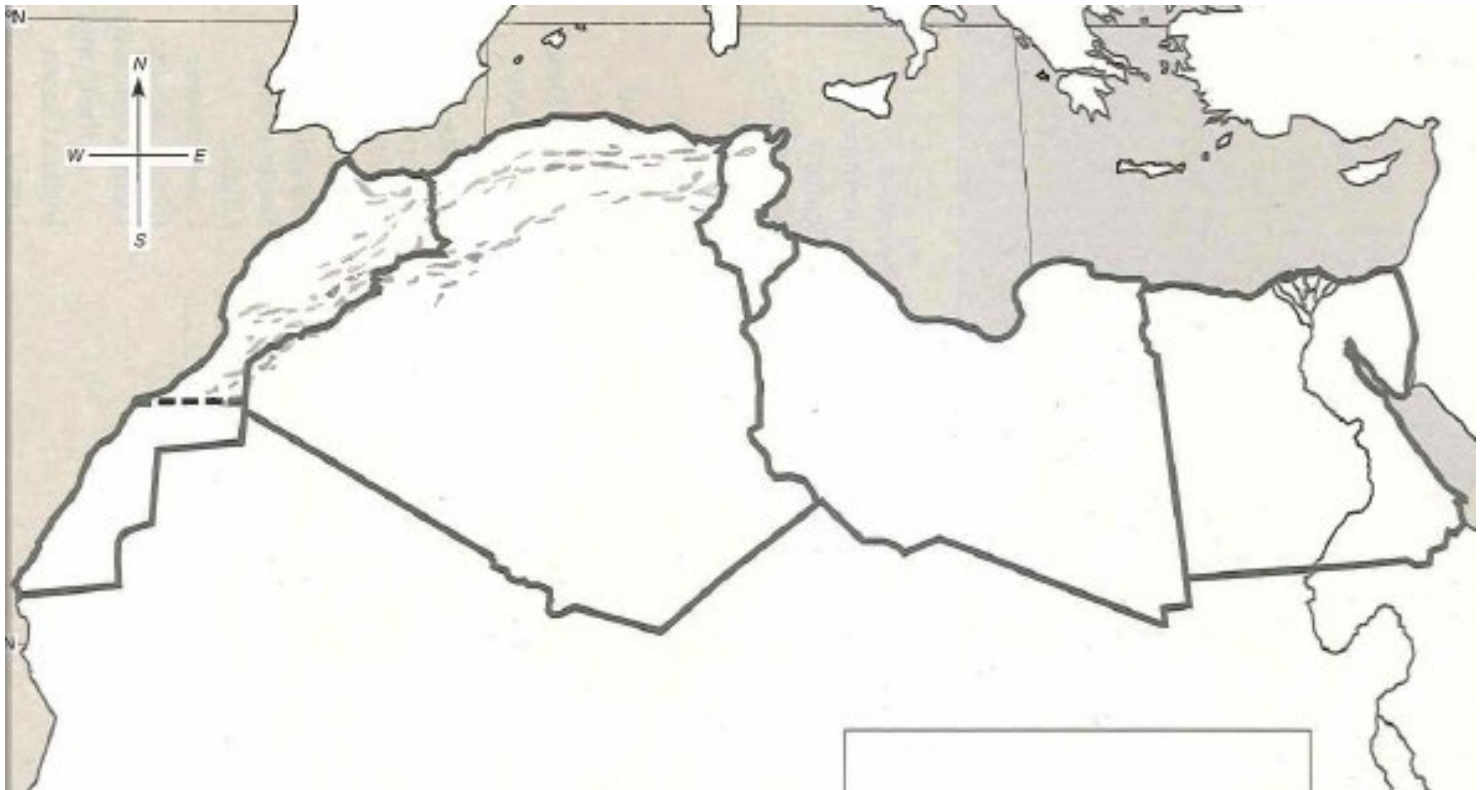
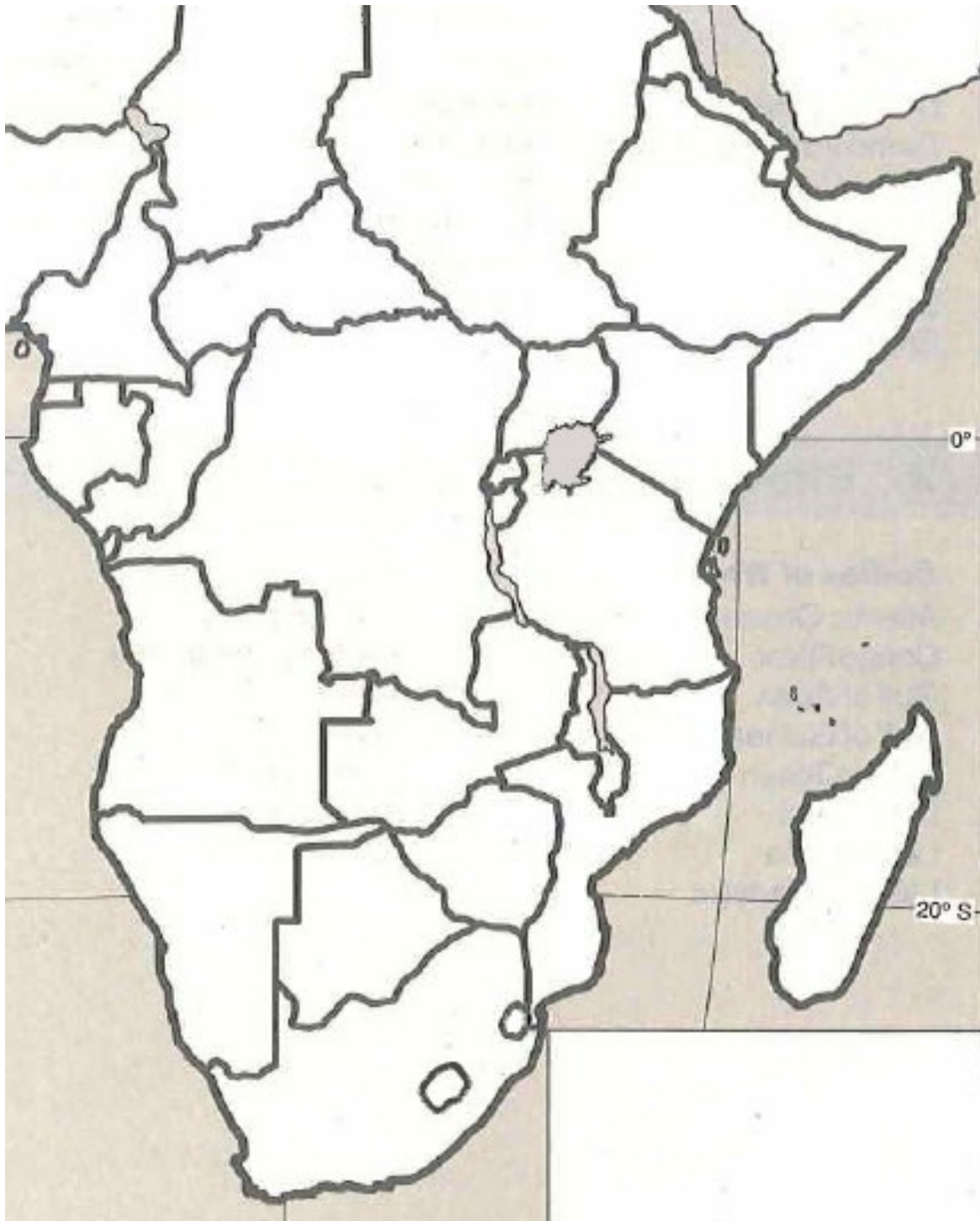| Nation-States	Major Cities
Mauritania	Dakar
Mali	Freetown
The Gambia	Monrovia
Guinea	Accra
Senegal	Abuja
Sierra Leone	Lagos
Liberia	Kinshasa
Cote D'Ivoire	Abidjan
Ghana	
Niger	
Nigeria	
Chad	
Cameroon	
Gabon	
Congo	
Democratic Rep. of the Congo	

Nation-States		Major Cities
Ethiopia	Namibia	Addis Ababa
Somalia	Angola	Mogadishu
Kenya	Zambia	Nairobi
Uganda	Eritrea	Kampala
Rwanda		Kigali
Tanzania		Lusaka
Malawi		Harare
Mozambique		Pretoria
Zimbabwe		Johannesburg
Botswana		Cape Town
South Africa		

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Physical Features
Gobi Desert
Himalayas
Plateau of Tibet
Huang River
Yangtze River
Manchuria
Tien Shan Mountains
Sea of Japan
East China Sea
Taiwan Strait
Korea Strait

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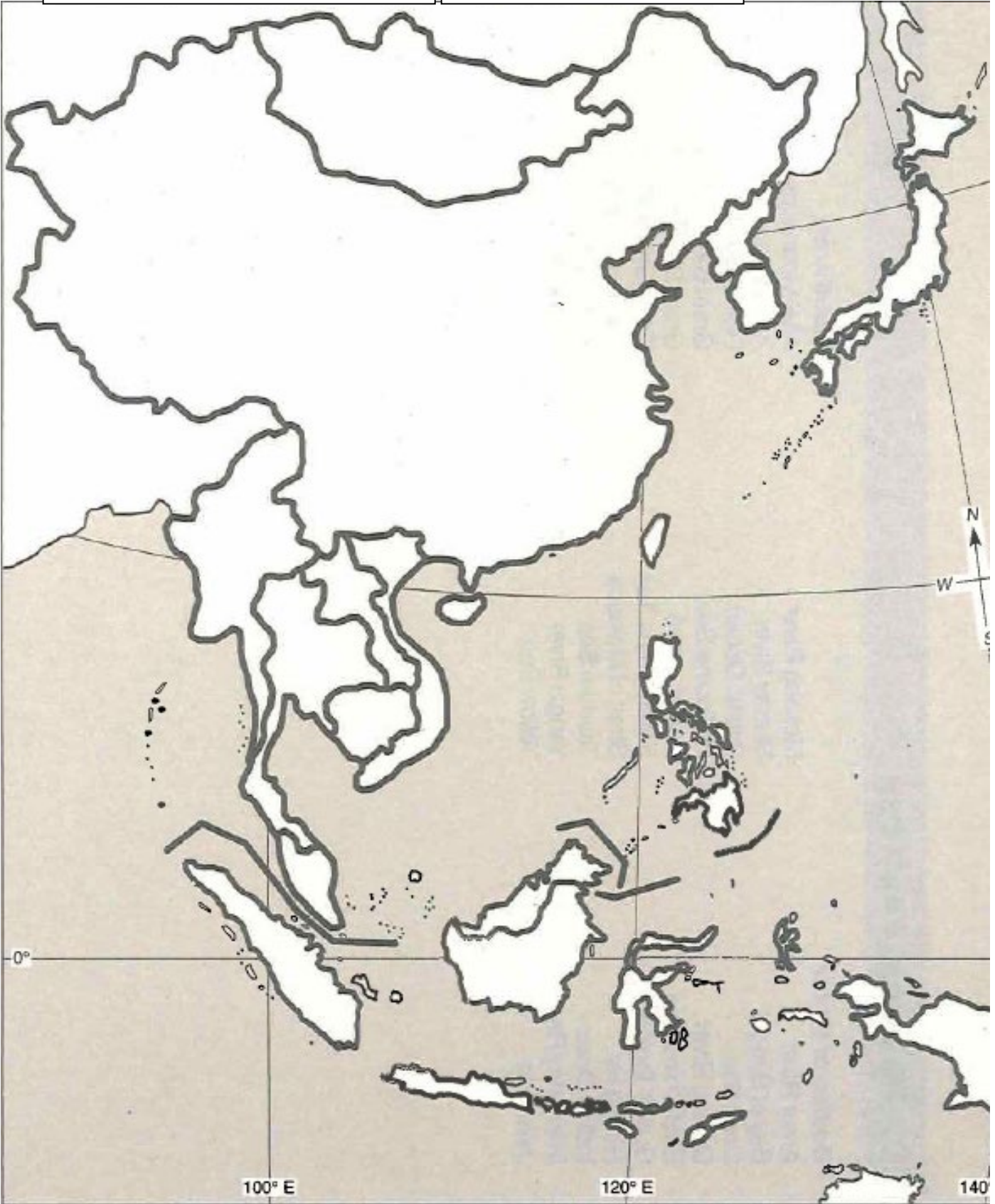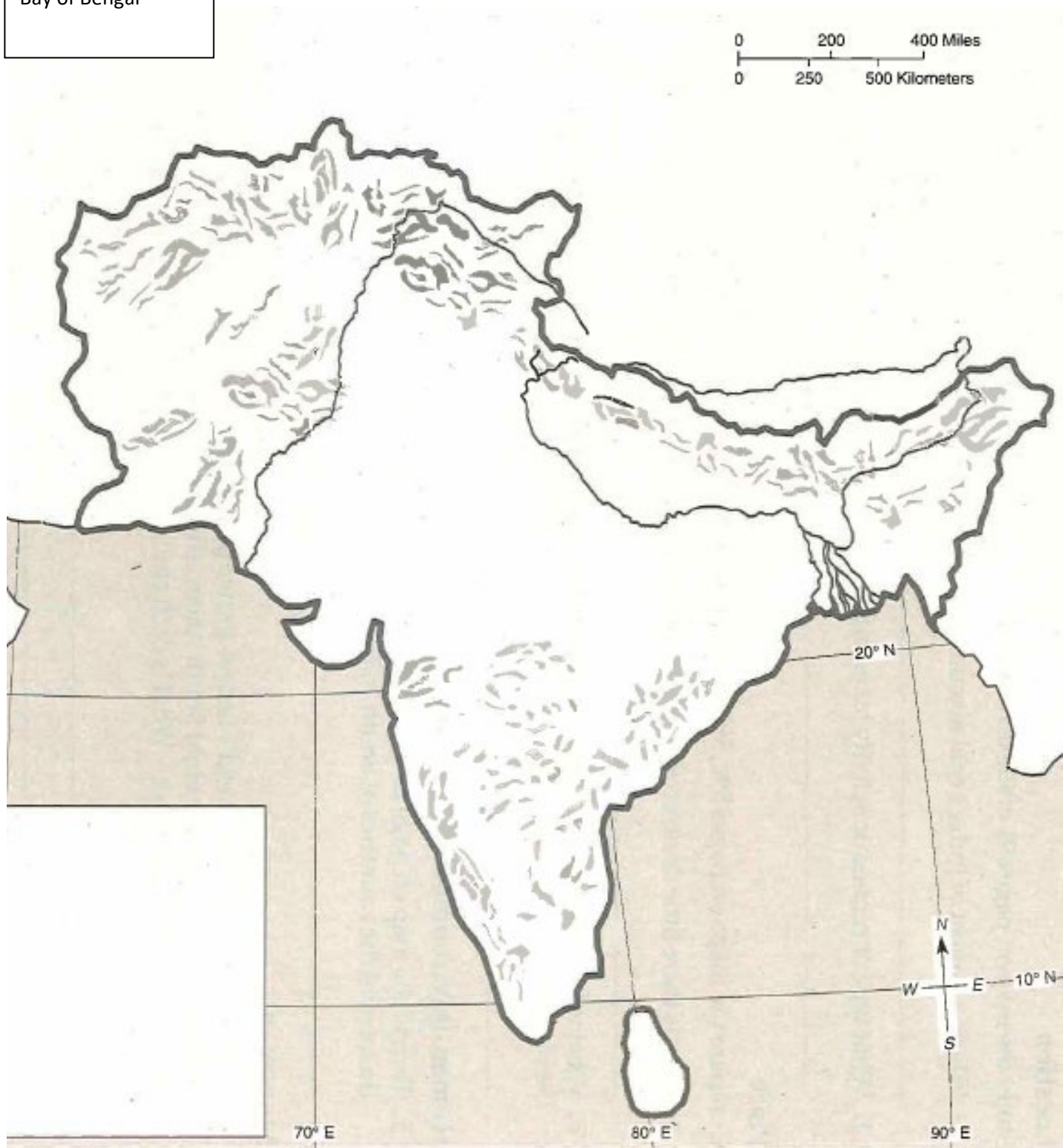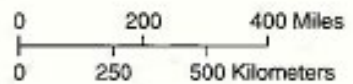| Nation-States			Major Cities		Map: 20
China	Taiwan	Indonesia	Beijing	Pyongyang	
Mongolia	Laos		Chongqing	Ha Noi	
North Korea	Cambodia		Hong Kong	Bangkok	
South Korea	Thailand		Shanghai	Kuala Lumpur	
Japan	Philippines		Taipei	Manila	
Vietnam	Malaysia		Seoul	Jakarta	

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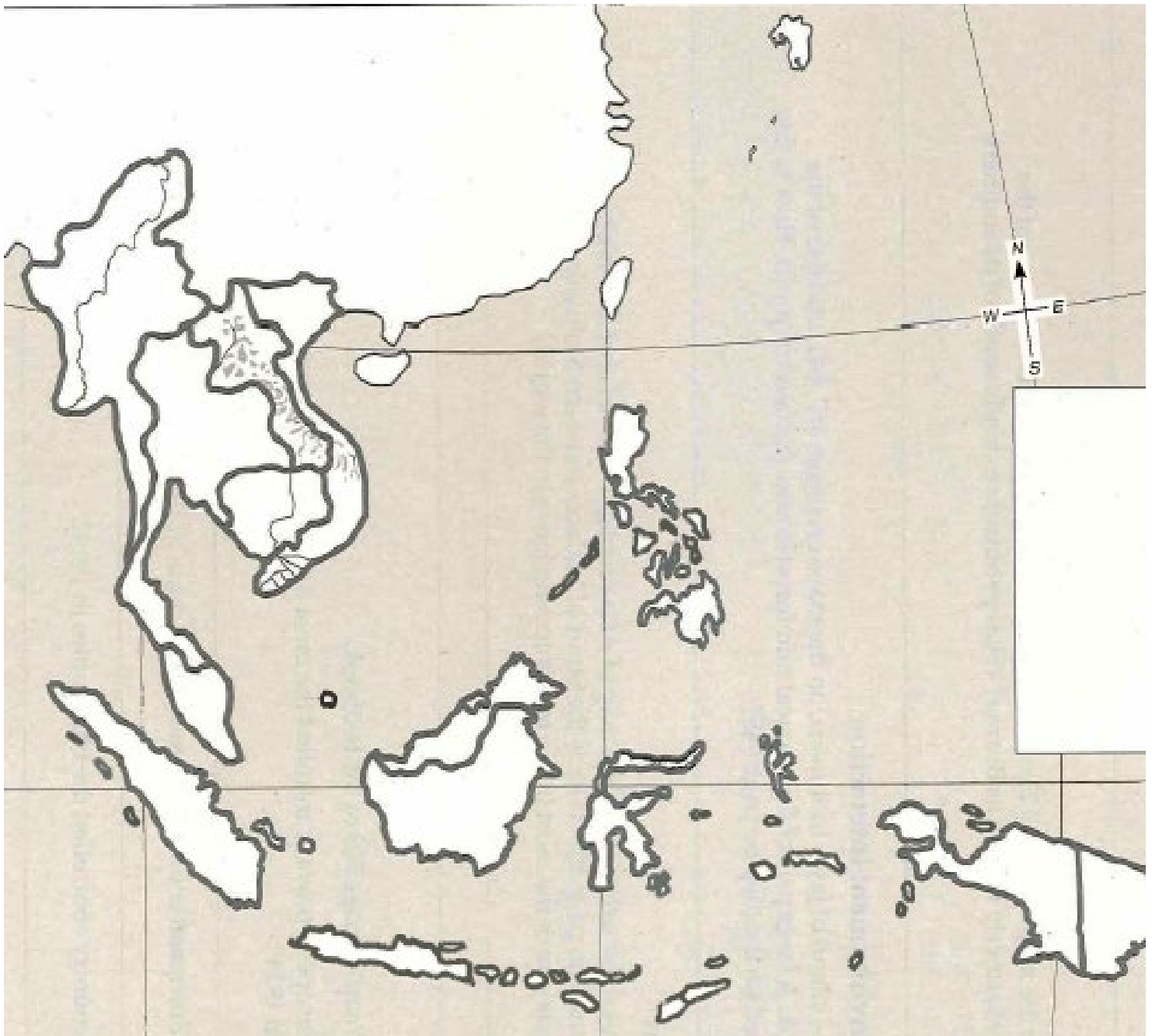| Nation-States	Major Cities	Map: 21
Afghanistan	Kabul	
Pakistan	Islamabad	
India	New Delhi	
Bangladesh	Mumbai	
Bhutan	Kolkata	
Nepal	Kathmandu	
Sri Lanka		

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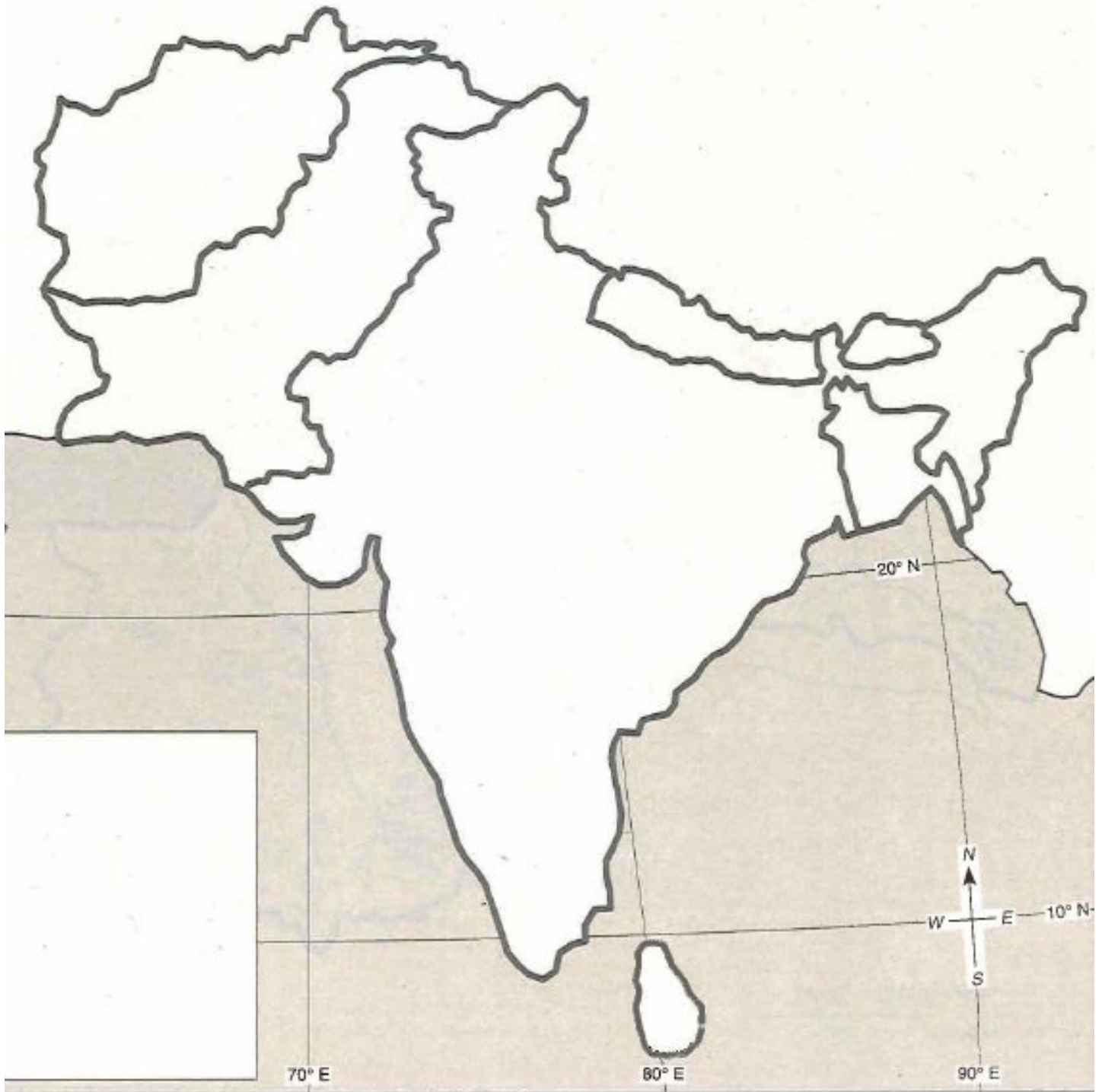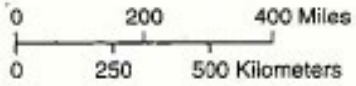
Physical Features
Ganges River
Brahmaputra River
Deccan
Indus River
Western Ghats
Eastern Ghats
Hindu Kush
Bay of Bengal

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0   250   500 Kilometers

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Physical Features
Malay Peninsula
Sumatra
Java
Borneo
South China Sea
Gulf of Thailand
Mekong River
Gulf of Tonkin
Strait of Malacca

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Nation States	Major Cities
Australia	Melbourne
New Zealand	Sydney
	Canberra
Physical Features	Perth
Coral Sea	Brisbane
Torres Strait	Wellington
Southern Alps	Christchurch
Great Dividing Range	
Great Barrier Reef	
Tasmania	
Great Australian Bight	
Cape York Peninsula	
Tasman Sea	
Darling River	
Murray River	