

Edgebrook Geography Bee Workshop





CALLING ALL GEOGRAPHY ROCK STARS....



**DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOU
ARE IN THE WORLD?**

In 2015, Edgebrook Elementary School will host its inaugural **Geography Bee**. This is an extracurricular event in which all students and their families are welcome to participate. Finalists will be cheered on at the School Bee. Make sure your geography rock star has a chance to shine! Here's how ...

- 1) Create a QuizStar Account
- 2) Register for pre-test
- 3) Take on-line pre-test on QuizStar website

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Two Bees

- Grade 4-8: National Geographic Society (NGS) Geography Bee
 - School winner takes qualifying test for State Bee
 - State Bee winners go to National Bee
 - National Bee winners receive prizes and scholarships
- K-Grade 3 Bee
 - Winner gets the thrill of victory

NGS Grade 4-8 Bee

How to Participate

- 1) Create a QuizStar Account
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- 3) Take on-line qualifying test

Dates:

- On-line qualifying test: January 7 – 18 (test closes Sunday @ 10pm)
- School Bee: week of Feb 2



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Upcoming Events

- PTA Meeting**
Date: Tomorrow
Time: 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Location: Edgebrook School Cafeteria
- No Classes-Martin Luther King Jr. Day**
Date: Jan. 19
- No Classes-School Improvement Day**
Date: Jan. 30
- PTA Meeting**
Date: Feb. 11

News & Announcements

Dining Out Night- January 20th-Meatheads

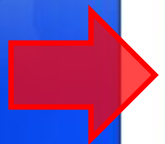
Classes Resume Tomorrow- Friday January 9th, 2015

Edgebrook Receives \$10,000 Art Grant through CPS and the Creative Schools Fund!

Chess Team Achieves at the Youth Chess Foundation of Chicago Tournament



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Classes at Edgebrook will start on Wednesday, October 2nd and run for 8 sessions from 4:00-5:30pm. We will need a minimum of 10 students to run the class at Edgebrook – so please spread the word! [Click here to register.](#)



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Welcome to QuizStar!

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First visit to QuizStar?

1. Sign up
2. Search for your instructor's classes
3. Register for classes
4. Start taking quizzes

Returning to QuizStar?

1. Login
2. View quizzes to take
3. Review previously taken quizzes
4. Search for additional classes

Download the Student Tutorial

[.doc file \(1.1MB\)](#)

[.pdf file \(0.9MB\)](#)



Login

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Password:

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students

Student Registration

Enter your personal information in the form below. If you forget your password, you can contact your instructor to have your password reassigned.

Enter your information	
First Name <input type="text"/>	If you are under age 13, type your first name and last initial. Please do not enter any personally identifiable information.
Last Name <input type="text"/>	
Username <input type="text"/>	Create an unique username to login to QuizStar. (minimum of 3 characters with no spaces)
Create Password <input type="text"/>	Use a password that only you will know and remember. (minimum of 5 characters)
Re-type Password: <input type="text"/>	
NOTE - Your instructors are able to change your profile information at any time.	
<input type="button" value="Register"/> <input type="button" value="Cancel"/>	

Geography Bee sign up

This information will be used to identify individuals with the top scores on the on-line qualifying quizzes that will be invited to the final school bee. This information allows the administrator to match username and student name if your students name is not fully reported in the QuizStar website.

Student's QuizStar username

Student's first name

Student's last name

School

Grade

I agree to have fun with the Geography Bee to be best of my ability. I understand that the on-line qualifying test may be used as a learning tool for my whole family, but I promise to only record answers that reflect my individual knowledge. I understand that this is a closed-book, closed-note test, and I am on my honor not to consult the internet or any reference material while taking the test. I promise not to discuss specific answers on this test with other students that may take the test as this may provide an unfair advantage for later test-takers.

I agree

Parent email address



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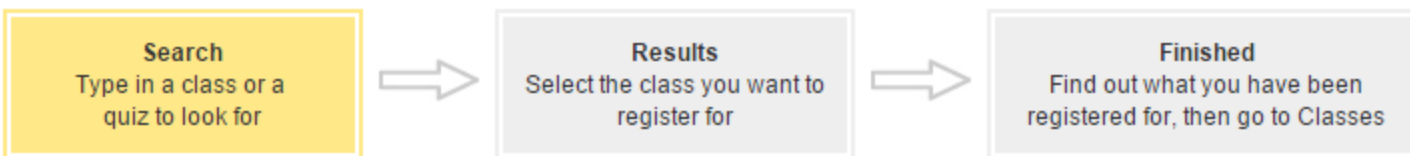
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SEARCH

Class & Quiz Search

The classes for which you have registered are listed below. Each class has its own quizzes. Click on the link to the class page to see which quizzes you need to take or may review. Click on the Search button above to look for additional classes to register for. You cannot remove these classes once you enroll. Your instructor will need to remove you from the class if you are to no longer take its quizzes.



Class Search

Class #1: →

Class #2: →

Class #3: →

Class #4: →

Search for up to four classes at the same time, then click Search.

Quiz Search

Quiz #1: --->

Quiz #2: --->

Search for up to two quizzes at the same time, then click search.

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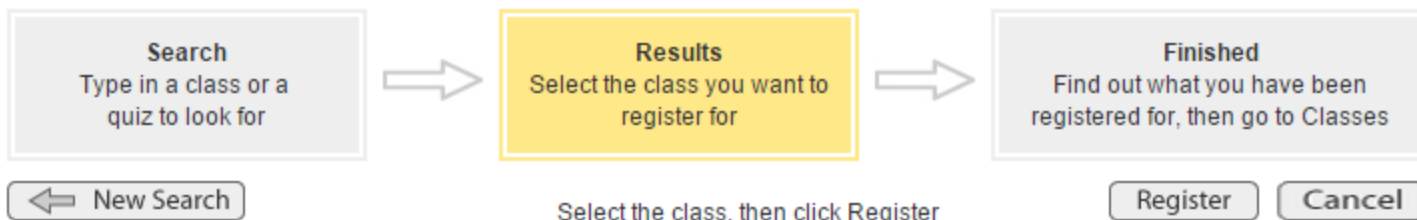
CLASSES

SEARCH

[Search for Classes/Quizzes](#) > Results

Search Results

Select the classes you wish to register for then click the Register button. The next screen will confirm your registration status for those classes. If you are not satisfied with these results, click the New Search button to perform a new search.



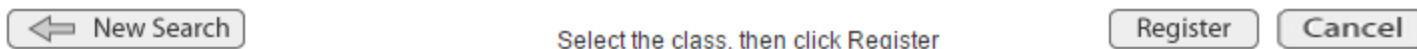
Class #1 Results

Searched: **2015 geobee**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Class Title	Instructor Name Email	Class Time	Class Type
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2015 Geobee	Sharon Waller sharonwaller@u.northwestern.edu		Public

1 result(s)

[Register](#) (to top)





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CLASSES

SEARCH

2015 Geobee's Quizzes

Make a selection from the list of [Untaken](#), [Started](#) or [Expired](#) Quizzes to **Take** or **Review** a quiz. If you want further instructions about using this page, go to the [Directions](#) at the bottom of this page.

Untaken Quizzes

[Help](#)


Quiz Title (with attempts left)	Start Date	Due Date	Points	Scores	Take Quiz	Review Quiz
2015 Grade 4-8 R7_pop artists on tour (1)	Jan 7, 2015 7:00:00 PM	Jan 18, 2015 10:00:00 PM	35	-	Take	Review
2015 Grade 4-8 R6_Nat Geo wild animal al-ta (1)	Jan 7, 2015 7:00:00 PM	Jan 18, 2015 10:00:00 PM	35	-	Take	Review
2015 Grade 4-8 R5_world comparisons (1)	Jan 7, 2015 7:00:00 PM	Jan 18, 2015 10:00:00 PM	35	-	Take	Review
2015 Grade 4-8 R4_world weird but true (1)	Jan 7, 2015 7:00:00 PM	Jan 18, 2015 10:00:00 PM	35	-	Take	Review
2015 Grade 4-8 R3_US odd one out (1)	Jan 7, 2015 7:00:00 PM	Jan 18, 2015 10:00:00 PM	35	-	Take	Review
2015 Grade 4-8 R2_US sports (1)	Jan 7, 2015 7:00:00 PM	Jan 18, 2015 10:00:00 PM	35	-	Take	Review
2015 PK-Grade 3 Geobee (1)	Mar 14, 2015 8:00:00 AM	Mar 20, 2015 10:00:00 PM	30	-	Take	Review
2015 Grade 4-8 R1_US (1)	Jan 7, 2015 7:00:00 PM	Jan 18, 2015 10:00:00 PM	35	-	Take	Review

How to study



- Have fun
 - Websites
 - Ipad Apps
 - Puzzles
 - Board games
- Need a challenge? Aim for the State Bee.
 - National Geographic Student Atlas, 4th Edition
 - How to Ace the National Geographic Bee, Official Study Guide, 4th Edition
 - The National Geographic Bee Ultimate Fact Book, Countries A to Z
 - National Geographic United States Atlas for Young Explorers, 3rd Edition

Geographic naming authorities

- National Geographic Society (NGS) 
- U.S. Board on Geographic Names (BGN)
 - Geographic Names Information System (GNIS), a database developed by the United States Geological Survey (USGS) in cooperation with the BGN
- Geographic Names Board of Canada
- Geographic Names Board of New South Wales
- International Hydrographic Organization
- Many more – *no international consensus*

Continents & oceans

THE CONTINENTS

	AREA		% of Earth's Land
	(sq mi)	(sq km)	
Asia	17,208,300	44,570,000	30.0
Africa	11,608,000	30,065,000	20.2
North America	9,449,000	24,474,000	16.5
South America	6,880,000	17,819,000	12.0
Antarctica	5,100,000	13,209,000	8.9
Europe	3,841,400	9,947,000	6.7
Australia	2,970,000	7,692,000	5.2

THE OCEANS

	AREA		% of Earth's Water Area
	(sq mi)	(sq km)	
Pacific	65,436,200	169,479,000	46.8
Atlantic	35,338,500	91,526,400	25.3
Indian	29,839,800	74,694,800	20.6
Arctic	5,390,000	13,960,100	3.9



Source: How to Ace the National Geographic Bee, Official Study Guide, 4th Edition

NGS says no Southern Ocean

- Delineated by International Hydrographic Organization in 2000 as all water below 60 degrees south, some is frozen.
- Recognized by the U.S. Board on Geographic Names
- **NOT RECOGNIZED BY NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SOCIETY AS OF 2015 BEE MATERIALS**

www.worldatlas.com/aatlas/infopage/oceans.htm

<http://oceanservice.noaa.gov/facts/howmanyoceans.html>

Why no Southern Ocean?

- National Geographic Society does not recognize [Antarctic Ocean, Austral Ocean, Southern Ocean], but they are sometimes used in the Southern Hemisphere and by scientists to designate those parts of the Atlantic, Indian, and Pacific Oceans surrounding Antarctica.
- Though the waters surrounding Antarctica are sometimes called the Antarctic Ocean or Southern Ocean, they are only the southernmost parts of the Indian, Pacific, and Atlantic Oceans.
- The following explanation appears in the *National Geographic Atlas of the World*: The Atlantic, Indian, and Pacific Oceans merge into icy waters around Antarctica. Some define this as an ocean—calling it the Antarctic Ocean, Austral Ocean, or Southern Ocean. While most accept four oceans, including the Arctic, there is no international agreement on the name and extent of a fifth ocean.

<http://stylemanual.ngs.org/home/A/antarctic-ocean>

North America

23 countries

- Big 3: Canada, USA, Mexico
 - Central America
 - Caribbean
- 1 territory
- Greenland (territory of Denmark)

Source: National Geographic Student World Atlas, 4th Edition



South America

- 12 countries
- 1 territory – French Guiana

TWELVE COUNTRIES and one French territory (French Guiana) make up South America. The continent was under mainly Spanish and Portuguese control from the 16th century to the 19th century. Colonial influence is still evident in the use of Spanish and Portuguese languages and in the widespread presence of the Roman Catholic church.



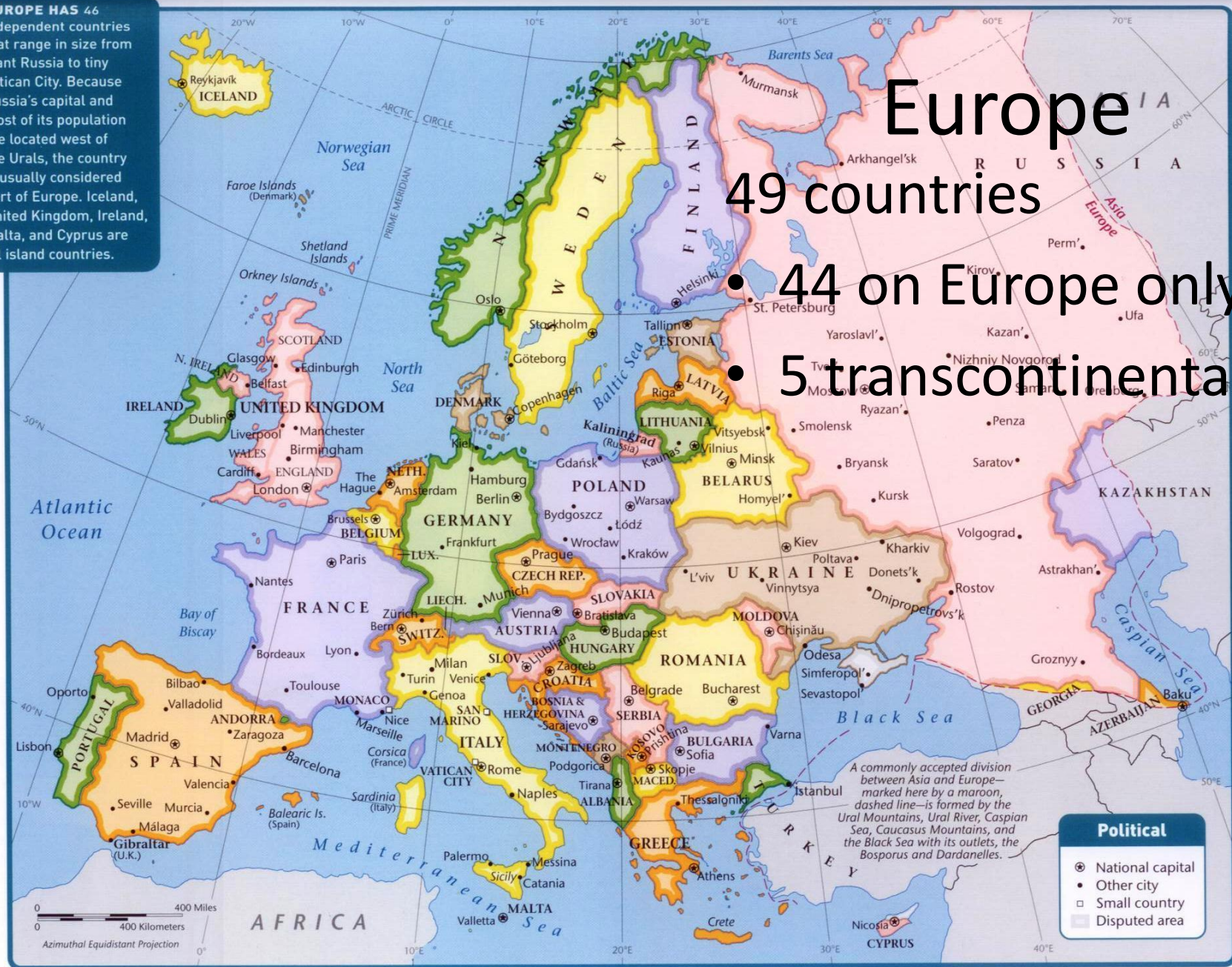
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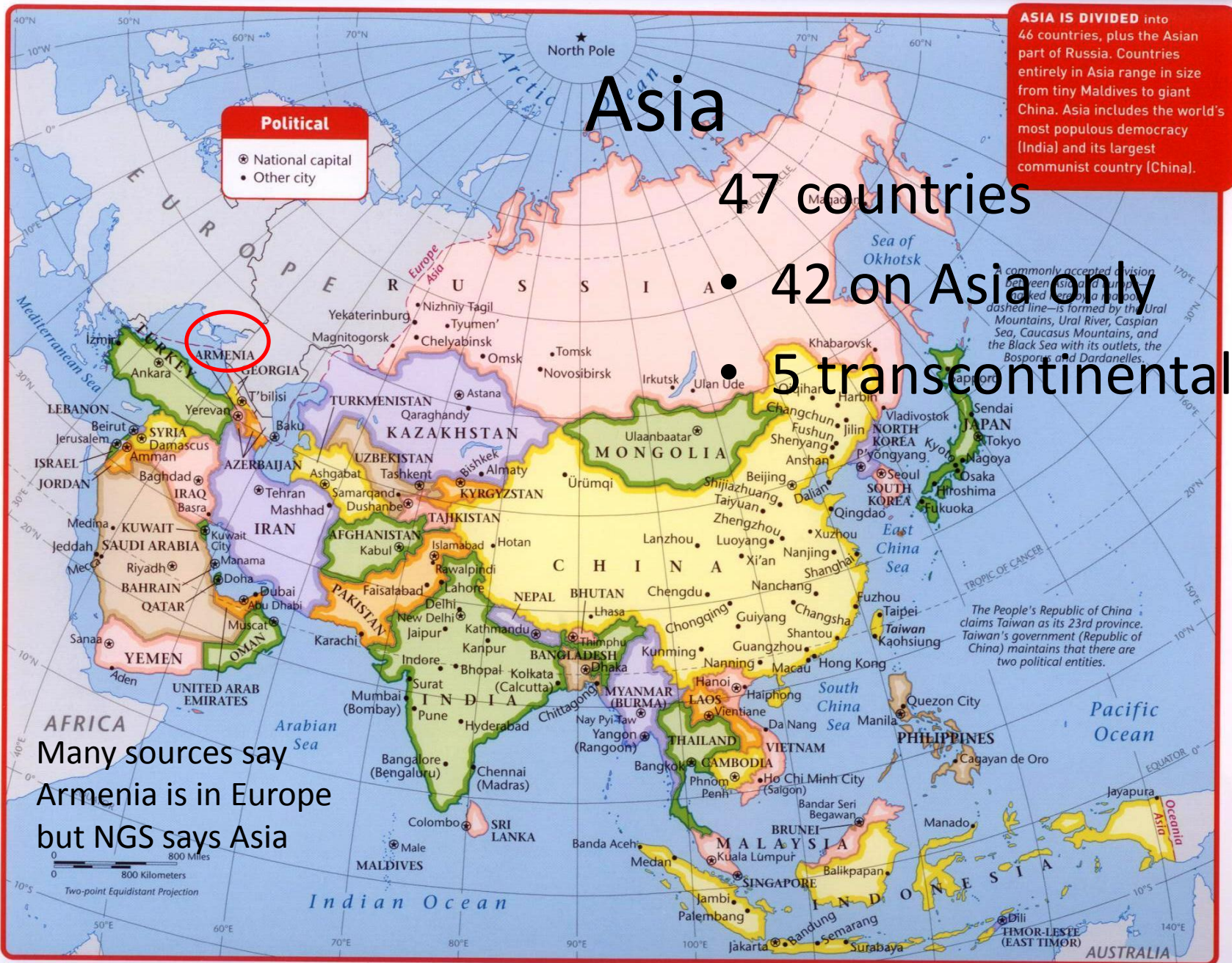
EUROPE HAS 46 independent countries that range in size from giant Russia to tiny Vatican City. Because Russia's capital and most of its population are located west of the Urals, the country is usually considered part of Europe. Iceland, United Kingdom, Ireland, Malta, and Cyprus are all island countries.

Europe

49 countries

- 44 on Europe only
- 5 transcontinental





ASIA IS DIVIDED into 46 countries, plus the Asian part of Russia. Countries entirely in Asia range in size from tiny Maldives to giant China. Asia includes the world's most populous democracy (India) and its largest communist country (China).

Asia

47 countries

• 42 on Asia only

• 5 transcontinental

A commonly accepted division between Asia and Europe is indicated by a dashed line—is formed by the Ural Mountains, Ural River, Caspian Sea, Caucasus Mountains, and the Black Sea with its outlets, the Bosphorus and Dardanelles.

The People's Republic of China claims Taiwan as its 23rd province. Taiwan's government (Republic of China) maintains that there are two political entities.

Many sources say Armenia is in Europe but NGS says Asia

POLITICAL MAP ASIA

Africa

- 54 countries
- Asia border is Red Sea

BOUNDARIES DRAWN by colonial powers at the 1884 Berlin Conference cut across culture and language divisions. These imposed borders contribute to much of the turmoil that has plagued African countries as they have moved from the colonial era to independence.



Source: National Geographic Student World Atlas, 4th Edition

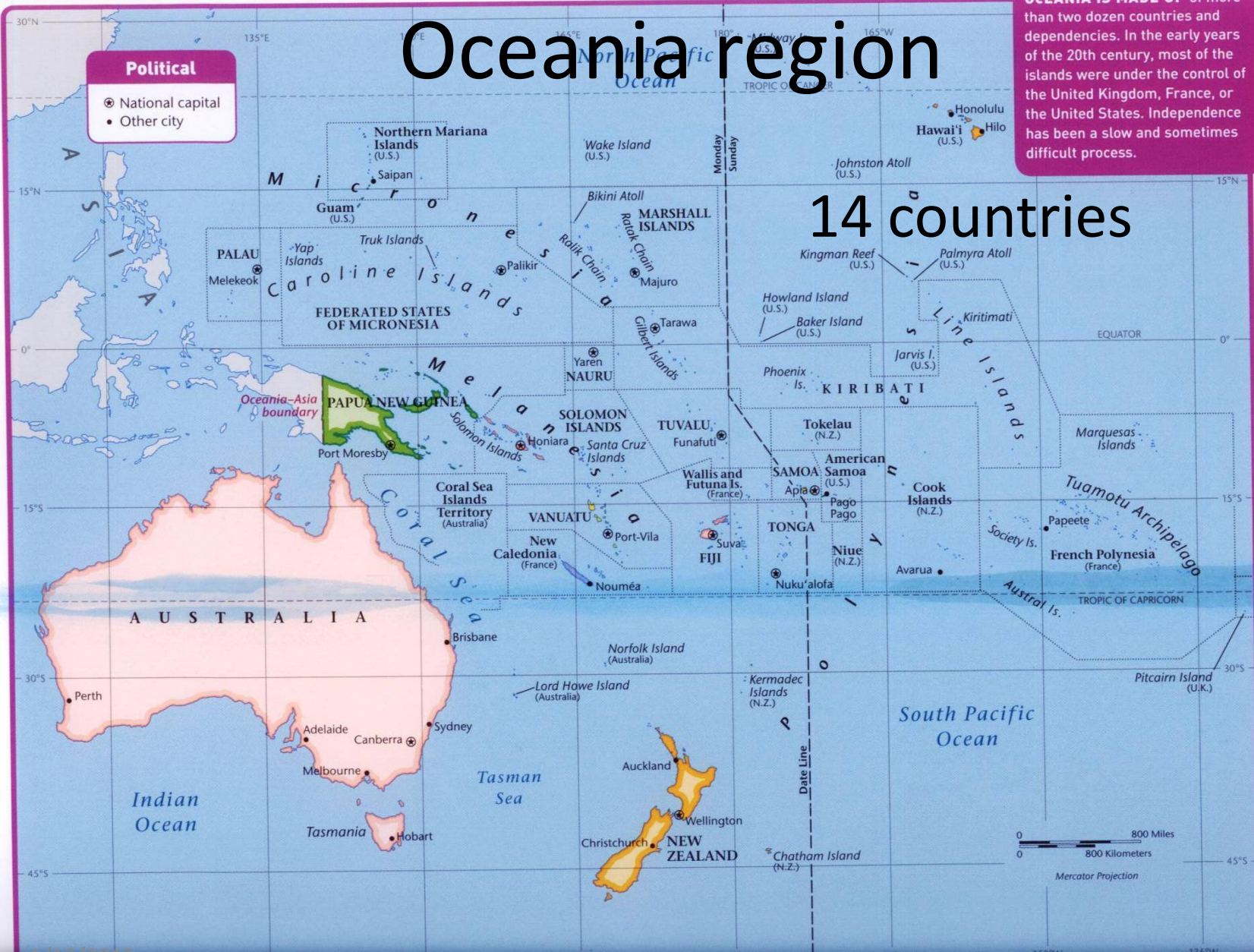
Oceania region

OCEANIA IS MADE UP of more than two dozen countries and dependencies. In the early years of the 20th century, most of the islands were under the control of the United Kingdom, France, or the United States. Independence has been a slow and sometimes difficult process.

14 countries

Political

- ⊗ National capital
- Other city



AUSTRALIA & OCEANIA

POLITICAL MAP

THE REGION

Transcontinental countries disputed

en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_transcontinental_countries

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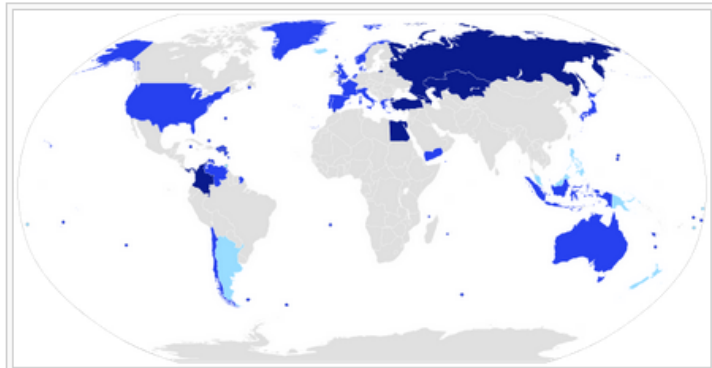
List of transcontinental countries

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

This is a **list of countries spanning more than one continent**, known as **transcontinental states**.^[*dubious – discuss*] While there are many countries with non-contiguous **overseas territories** fitting this definition, only a limited number of countries have territory spanning an overland **continental boundary**. This list assumes that **Europe** and **Asia** are fully separate continents rather than subcontinents or component landmasses of the **Eurasian** continent:

- Asian–European boundary: [Azerbaijan](#), [Georgia](#), [Kazakhstan](#), [Russia](#), [Turkey](#)
- African–Asian boundary: [Egypt](#)
- North American–South American boundary: [Colombia](#), [Panama](#)

Listed further below, separately, are countries with distant non-contiguous parts (overseas territories) on separate continents.



A map of transcontinental countries, countries that control territory in more than one continent.

- Contiguous transcontinental countries.
- Non-contiguous transcontinental countries.
- Countries that could be considered transcontinental depending on definitions and [claim legality](#).

Contents [hide]

- 1 Contiguous boundary
 - 1.1 Africa and Asia
 - 1.1.1 Egypt
 - 1.2 Asia and Europe
 - 1.2.1 Azerbaijan

Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_transcontinental_countries

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NGS transcontinental countries (spanning more than one continent)

Asian–Europe

- Azerbaijan
- Georgia
- Kazakhstan
- Russia
- Turkey

Source: National Geographic Student World Atlas, 4th Edition



Islands, rivers, mountains

TEN LARGEST ISLANDS

	AREA			AREA	
	(sq mi)	(sq km)		(sq mi)	(sq km)
Greenland	836,000	2,166,000	Sumatra	165,000	427,300
New Guinea	306,000	792,500	Honshu	87,800	227,400
Borneo	280,100	725,500	Great Britain	84,200	218,100
Madagascar	226,600	587,000	Victoria	83,900	217,300
Baffin	196,000	507,500	Ellesmere	75,800	196,200

LONGEST RIVERS*

	miles	kilometers
Nile, Africa	4,241	6,825
Amazon, S. America	4,000	6,437
Chang (Yangtze), Asia	3,964	6,380
Mississippi-Missouri, N. America	3,710	5,971
Murray-Darling, Australia	2,310	3,718
Volga, Europe	2,290	3,685

Antarctica has no flowing rivers

* These lists name the longest river and the major mountain range on each continent. Rivers are listed longest to shortest. Mountain ranges are listed in alphabetical order.

MAJOR MOUNTAIN RANGES*

Alps, Europe
 Andes, South America
 Atlas Mountains, Africa
 Great Dividing Range, Australia
 Himalaya, Asia
 Rocky Mountains, North America
 Transantarctic Mountains, Antarctica
 Ural Mountains form much of the boundary between Europe and Asia

Source: How to Ace the National Geographic Bee, Official Study Guide, 4th Edition

Seas, lakes, elevation

HIGHEST POINT ON EACH CONTINENT

	feet	meters
Everest, Asia	29,035	8,850
Aconcagua, S. America	22,834	6,960
McKinley (Denali), N. America	20,320	6,194
Kilimanjaro, Africa	19,340	5,895
El'brus, Europe	18,510	5,642
Vinson Massif, Antarctica	16,067	4,897
Kosciuszko, Australia	7,310	2,228

LOWEST POINT ON EACH CONTINENT

	feet	meters
Dead Sea, Asia	-1,385	-422
Lake Assal, Africa	-512	-156
Death Valley, N. America	-282	-86
Laguna del Carbón, S. America	-344	-105
Caspian Sea, Europe	-92	-28
Lake Eyre, Australia	-52	-16
Bentley Subglacial Trench, Antarctica	-8,383	-2,555

TEN LARGEST SEAS

	AREA	
	(sq mi)	(sq km)
Coral	1,615,260	4,183,510
South China	1,388,570	3,596,390
Caribbean	1,094,330	2,834,290
Bering	972,810	2,519,580
Mediterranean	953,320	2,469,100
Sea of Okhotsk	627,490	1,625,190
Gulf of Mexico	591,430	1,531,810
Norwegian	550,300	1,425,280
Greenland	447,050	1,157,850
Sea of Japan (East Sea)	389,290	1,008,260

TEN LARGEST LAKES

	AREA	
	(sq mi)	(sq km)
Caspian Sea, Europe-Asia	143,200	371,000
Superior, N. America	31,700	82,100
Victoria, Africa	26,800	69,500
Huron, N. America	23,000	59,600
Michigan, N. America	22,300	57,800
Tanganyika, Africa	12,600	32,600
Baikal, Asia	12,200	31,500
Great Bear, N. America	12,100	31,300
Malawi, Africa	11,200	28,900
Great Slave, N. America	11,000	28,600

Source: How to Ace the National Geographic Bee, Official Study Guide, 4th Edition

NGS geographic names

From Bee materials pg 13:

...use correct geographic terminology in your answers. For example, do not use “Holland” as a synonym for the country “Netherlands,” and do not use “England” for the country “United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland,” as England is a political division. Give present-day names unless the question involves history and other names would be correct in the context of the question. As the Bee is conducted in English, wherever possible, conventional English place-names are used. Shortened forms of country names are acceptable, such as “United Kingdom,” “Great Britain,” or “Britain” for “United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.” Bee questions follow the National Geographic Society’s policy of recognizing Europe and Asia as two continents. Oceania is considered a region rather than a continent, and it will not be accepted as a correct answer for the continent of Australia. In addition, the National Geographic Society recognizes **four oceans—Arctic, Atlantic, Indian, and Pacific.**

From page 25: seven continents – **Africa, N/S America, Antarctica, Asia, Australia, Europe**

Samples questions: US geography

(NGS 2014 Bee Preliminary Round – On-line Qualifying Test)

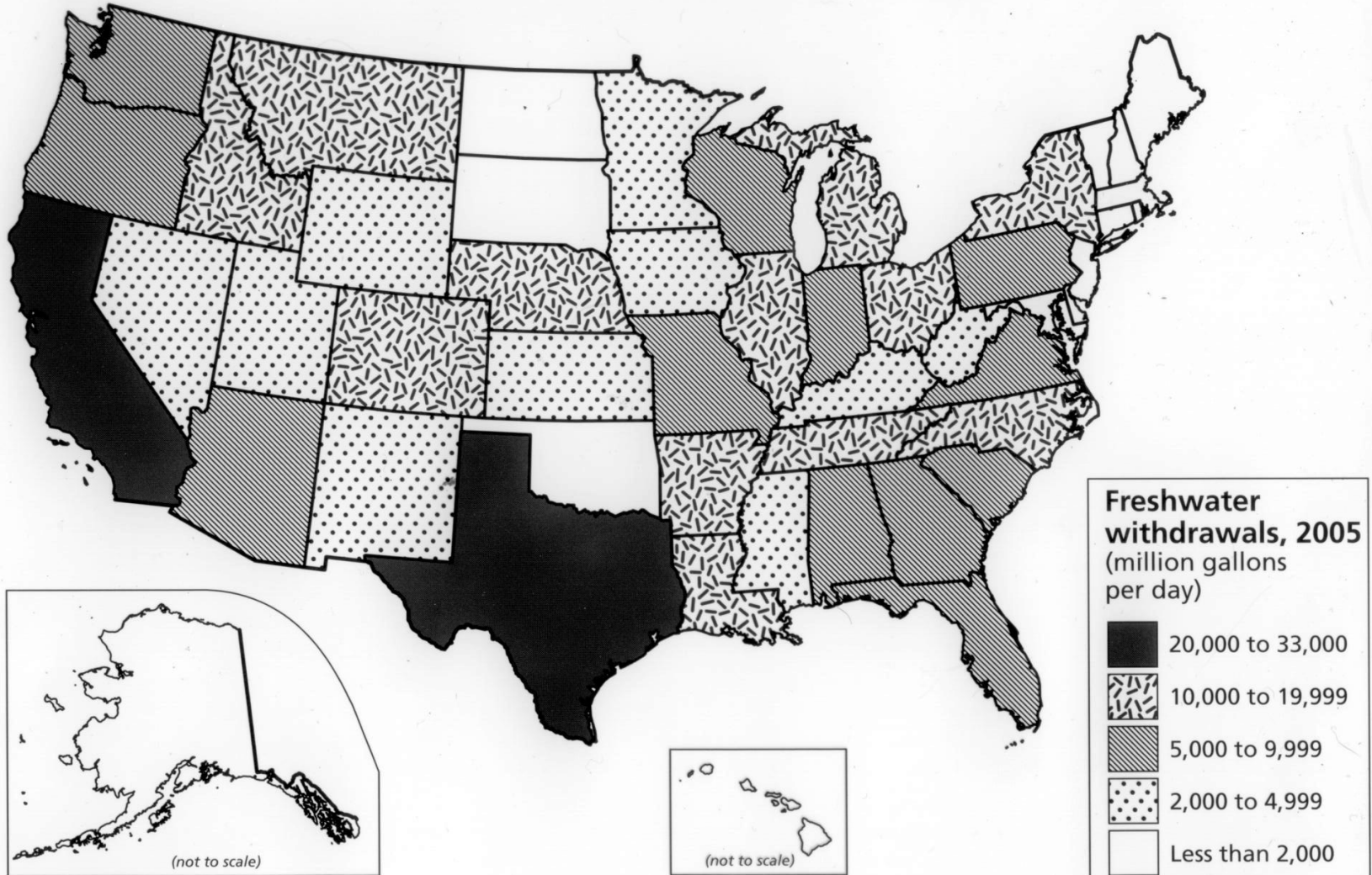
1. The Mackinac Bridge connects the upper and lower peninsulas of which state? West Virginia or Michigan
2. Hurricanes have caused widespread damage in which state? Texas or Iowa?
3. Which state is located west of the Mississippi River? Maryland or Colorado
4. Which state has a coastline on the Gulf of Mexico? Alabama or Delaware
5. Which state produces more peanuts? Georgia or Utah

Samples questions: continents

(NGS 2014 Bee Preliminary Round – On-line Qualifying Test)

1. Tugela Falls, one of the highest waterfalls in the world, is located in the Drakensberg Mountains in on which continent? Africa
2. The majority of the world's proven oil reserves are found near the Persian Gulf in the southwest part of which continent? Asia
3. Which continent has the least vegetation? Antarctica
4. The Beaufort Sea and the Mosquito Coast are located along coastlines on which continent? North America
5. Which continent has the most speakers of Celtic languages, such as Welsh and Gaelic? Europe

U.S. Freshwater Withdrawals by State



SOURCE: THE USGS WATER SCIENCE SCHOOL

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

2014 School Bee Final Competition: Map Round

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K-Grade 3 Bee

- Question types
 - Country-continent match
 - Challenge rounds
 - US state capitals
 - Major water bodies
 - Mountains
- Dates
 - Qualifying test: Saturday, March 14, 8am through Friday March 20, 10 pm
 - School Bee: March 27



*Flat people by Ella & Lydia Schieleit
Flat Stanley Project, PK4 2012*

Workshop Centers

1. Websites (Colleen Schultz)
 - <http://www.nationalgeographic.com/geobee/>
 - <http://www.home-school.com/Articles/how-to-win-the-geography-bee.php>
 - <http://www.wakanow.com/ng/pages/Travel-Around-the-World:-Geography-for-Kids>
 - www.worldatlas.com
2. Ipads (Murphy, Lydia, Ella)
 - Ilearn Continents
 - Stack the Countries
 - Stack the States
3. Games (Mrs. Killion, Diane Arsenijevic)
 - Interactive maps (LeapFrog)
 - Do you know where you are?
 - Who's your neighbor (pass the globe)
4. Puzzles (on your own)

