

USA Studies Weekly—Ancient America to Reconstruction

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Read each question and the answer choices carefully. Then fill in the circle next to the best answer.

1. What is geography?
 - Ⓐ the study of living things
 - Ⓑ the study of Earth's processes and changes
 - Ⓒ the study of Earth's features
 - Ⓓ the study of plants
2. What is a large land mass called?
 - Ⓐ state
 - Ⓑ continent
 - Ⓒ equator
 - Ⓓ ocean
3. Choose the answer that correctly lists the seven continents.
 - Ⓐ Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Europe, Atlantic, Antarctica
 - Ⓑ Asia, Arctic, North America, South America, Europe, Australia, Antarctica
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4. Which ocean is missing from this list: Atlantic, Pacific, Indian, Arctic?
 - Ⓐ Northern
 - Ⓑ Southern
 - Ⓒ Australian
 - Ⓓ Antarctic
5. Physical and political maps both have titles and show major cities. What is the main difference between them?
 - Ⓐ A political map shows the boundaries between political units while a physical map shows the features of an area.
 - Ⓑ A political map shows the number of electoral votes while a physical map shows physical features.
 - Ⓒ A physical map shows countries, states or territories while a political map does not.
 - Ⓓ A political map is used by politicians while a physical map is used by physicians.
6. You are on a camping trip with your family and you're trying to find the nearest campsite. You notice many different symbols on the map and you want to find out which one represents campsite locations. Which part of the map would you use?
 - Ⓐ legend
 - Ⓑ compass rose
 - Ⓒ map scale
 - Ⓓ lines of latitude and longitude

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7. If you were traveling with your parents and they asked you to figure out the direction in which you were traveling, which part of the map would you use?
- Ⓐ legend
 - Ⓑ map scale
 - Ⓒ lines of latitude and longitude
 - Ⓓ compass rose
8. You're traveling on the highway with your family on the way to Washington, D.C. Your parents ask you to figure out how many more miles there are until you arrive. Which part of the map would you use?
- Ⓐ map scale
 - Ⓑ compass rose
 - Ⓒ lines of latitude and longitude
 - Ⓓ legend
9. The grid-like part of the map used to pinpoint locations is made up of _____.
- Ⓐ the legend
 - Ⓑ lines of latitude and longitude
 - Ⓒ the compass rose
 - Ⓓ the map scale
10. What is the third largest continent?
- Ⓐ Asia
 - Ⓑ Africa
 - Ⓒ North America
 - Ⓓ South America

11. How are the equator and the prime meridian alike? How are they different?

12. Explain why maps are important to people.
