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Geography Study Guide

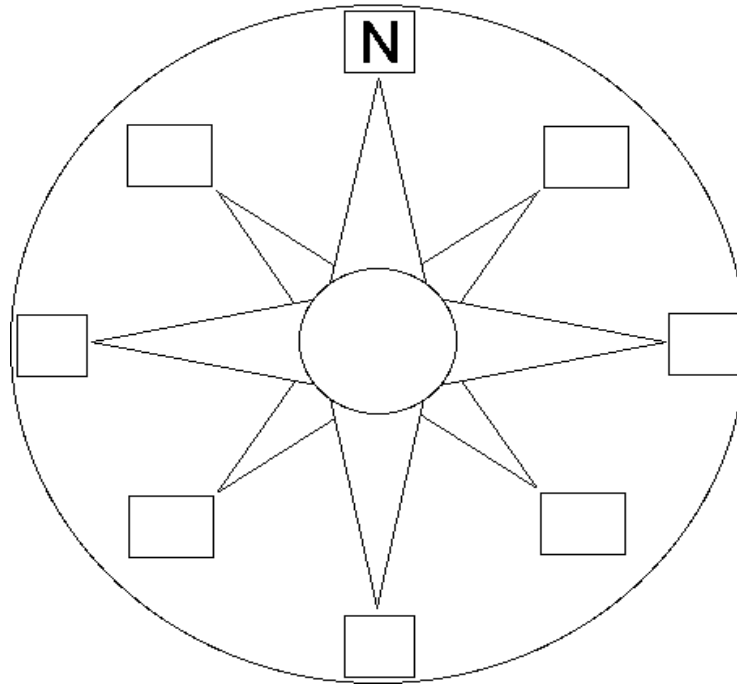
Definitions and Terms:

1. The **equator** is an imaginary line that divides the Earth into the northern and southern **hemispheres**.
2. The **prime meridian** is an imaginary line that divides the Earth into the eastern and western **hemispheres**.
3. A **compass rose** is displayed on a map to note the cardinal and intermediate directions.
4. North, South, East and West are **cardinal directions**.
5. Northeast, Southeast, Northwest, and Southwest are **intermediate directions**.
6. A **map key** explains the symbols used on a map.
7. A **map scale** is a measured line on a map that helps us measure the actual distances from one place to another.

Some interesting facts:

1. The **Pacific Ocean** is the largest of our five oceans.
2. **Washington, D.C.** is our nation's capital.
3. **Harrisburg** is the capitol of Pennsylvania.
4. **Antarctica** is the coldest continent. It is surrounded by the **Southern Ocean**.
5. The United States, Canada and Mexico make up the continent of North America. Canada is to the **north** of the United States.

In addition to the information on the front of the study guide, your child should also know how to label a compass rose.



Your child will also need to know how determine real life distances using a map scale.