

Map Clue Hunt

Read clues, then locate places on real maps.

2.11 "The student will apply history and social science skills to develop geographic mapping skills using world maps and globes by locating the countries of North America and the bordering oceans; identifying major rivers, mountain ranges..."

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline country names, circle ocean names, and number each named United States physical feature to help you find map clues.

North America Map Clues

- ① A globe shows North America in the Northern Hemisphere. Three large countries are Canada, the United States, and Mexico. Canada is north of the United States. Mexico is south of the United States. Each country has its own borders.
- ② North America meets the Arctic Ocean in the north. The Atlantic Ocean is east of the continent. The Pacific Ocean is west. On a world map, read the map title and use the compass rose to check directions.
- ③ In the United States, the Rocky Mountains rise in the west. The Appalachian Mountains are in the east. The Mississippi River flows south through the middle. The Great Lakes lie along the northern border, near Canada. Rivers, mountains, and lakes are physical features.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 Which country is north of the United States? Which country is south of the United States?

2 Which ocean is east of North America? Which ocean is west of North America?

3 Name two United States physical features from the passage. Tell where each one is.

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Use the world map and detailed United States physical map your teacher provides. Point to Canada, the United States, Mexico, and the Arctic, Atlantic, and Pacific Oceans. Then find two physical features named in the passage. Show your teacher. Write three clues based on places you located: one country, one ocean, and one physical feature. Include direction words.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline country names, circle ocean names, and number each named United States physical feature to help you find map clues. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Which country is north of the United States? Which country is south of the United States?	Canada is north of the United States. Mexico is south of the United States.
2	Which ocean is east of North America? Which ocean is west of North America?	The Atlantic Ocean is east of North America. The Pacific Ocean is west of North America.
3	Name two United States physical features from the passage. Tell where each one is.	Answers may include: Rocky Mountains, west; Appalachian Mountains, east; Mississippi River, through the middle; Great Lakes, along the northern border near Canada.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Canada is north of the United States. The Pacific Ocean is west of North America. The Rocky Mountains are in the west of the United States.

Required setup: provide a readable world map and detailed United States physical map or atlas showing all named locations. Explain map titles, compass directions and symbols; support label reading. Observe each learner locating the three countries, three oceans, and two physical features on the maps before checking the three written clues. Accept accurate locations and direction words; text recall alone is insufficient. The model clues are examples to verify on the supplied maps.