

Earth Location Clues

Use land, water, and imaginary lines to describe locations on Earth.

3.2 "The student will apply history and social science skills to locate and describe major geographic features of Africa, Antarctica, Asia, Australia, Europe, North America..."

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline each continent name, circle each ocean name, and put a star by the Equator and Prime Meridian. Box the names of the four hemispheres.

Finding Places on Earth

- ① Earth has seven large land areas called continents. Africa lies south of Europe and west of Asia. Antarctica is the icy continent around the South Pole. Asia is east of Europe. Australia lies southeast of Asia. North America is north of South America. Europe lies west of Asia. South America lies south of North America.
- ② Five oceans cover most of Earth's water. The Pacific Ocean lies between Asia and Australia on one side and North and South America on the other. The Atlantic Ocean is between the Americas and Europe and Africa. The Indian Ocean is south of Asia, east of Africa, and west of Australia. The Arctic Ocean is around the North Pole. The Southern Ocean circles Antarctica.
- ③ Imaginary lines also help us describe location. The Equator goes around Earth's middle and separates the Northern Hemisphere from the Southern Hemisphere. The Prime Meridian runs from the North Pole to the South Pole and separates the Eastern Hemisphere from the Western Hemisphere. Together, the two lines make four areas: Northern and Eastern, Northern and Western, Southern and Eastern, and Southern and Western.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 Where is South America compared with North America?

2 Which ocean lies between Asia and Australia and the Americas?

3 What two hemispheres does the Equator separate?

4 A place is north of the Equator and east of the Prime Meridian. Which hemisphere area is it in?

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Write three location clues. First, tell where one continent is compared with another continent. Next, tell where one ocean is compared with continents. Last, use both the Equator and Prime Meridian to name a hemisphere area.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline each continent name, circle each ocean name, and put a star by the Equator and Prime Meridian. Box the names of the four hemispheres. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Where is South America compared with North America?	South America is south of North America.
2	Which ocean lies between Asia and Australia and the Americas?	The Pacific Ocean.
3	What two hemispheres does the Equator separate?	The Equator separates the Northern Hemisphere and the Southern Hemisphere.
4	A place is north of the Equator and east of the Prime Meridian. Which hemisphere area is it in?	The Northern and Eastern Hemisphere area.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

South America lies south of North America. The Indian Ocean is south of Asia, east of Africa, and west of Australia. A place north of the Equator and west of the Prime Meridian is in the Northern and Western Hemisphere area.

Accept accurate location words such as north, south, east, west, southeast, between, or around when they match the passage. For Your Turn, accept other accurate clues that use the required type of geographic feature and location relationship.