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Social Studies Map Terms

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| 1. an imaginary line encircling Earth halfway between the North Pole and the South Pole. | A. cardinal directions |
| 2. a small map inset in the corner of a larger map that helps you understand where the subject area of the larger map is located on Earth | B. physical map |
| 3. a map that shows how to travel from one place to another | C. historical map |
| 4. one of Earth's four large bodies of water | D. continent |
| 5. a map that shows the boundaries of states and countries | E. scale |
| 6. a drawing that indicates directions on a map, especially cardinal and intermediate directions | F. symbol |
| 7. one of Earth's seven large bodies of land | G. locator |
| 8. a direction halfway between two cardinal directions northeast, northwest, southwest, southeast | H. transportation map |
| 9. a guide telling you what each symbol on a map stands for. | I. equator |
| 10. a map that highlights Earth's natural features | J. compass rose |
| 11. a map that shows the physical features of the land, such as mountains, plains, plateaus, lakes, rivers, and oceans. | K. ocean |
| 12. a map that shows information about the past or where past events took place. | L. map key |
| 13. something that stands for something else. | M. landform map |
| 14. one half of a sphere or globe | N. intermediate directions |
| 15. a guide that explains the relationship between real distances on Earth and distances on a map. | O. political map |
| 16. one of the four main points of a compass: north, south, east and west. | P. hemisphere |