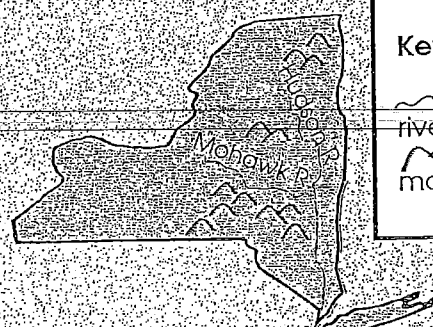
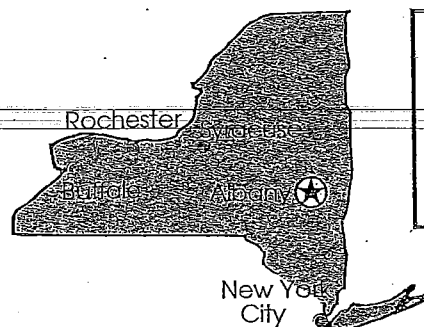
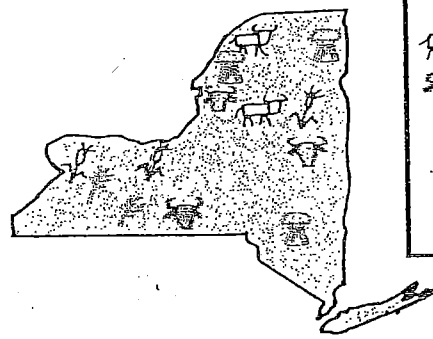
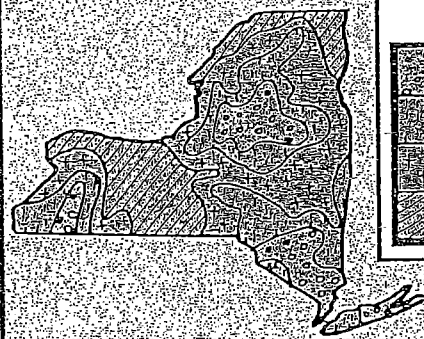


**Kinds of Maps**

# Focusing on Four

Shown are four kinds of maps.

<p><b>Physical Map - (landforms)</b></p>  <p><b>Key</b>          river          mountain</p>	<p><b>Political Map - (cities)</b></p>  <p><b>Key</b>          capital          cities</p>
<p><b>Product Map - (products)</b></p>  <p><b>Key</b>          Dairy Products          Beef          Corn          Hay          Wheat</p>	<p><b>Climate Map - (yearly precipitation)</b></p>  <p><b>Key</b>          49-56 in.          41-48 in.          33-40 in.          24-32 in.</p>

To find out . . .

1. the capital of New York
2. where corn is grown
3. inches of precipitation
4. the location of Buffalo
5. where mountains are located
6. where hay grows
7. if Syracuse is NW of New York City
8. where Hudson and Mohawk Rivers meet
9. where dairy cattle are raised

Use this kind of map . . .

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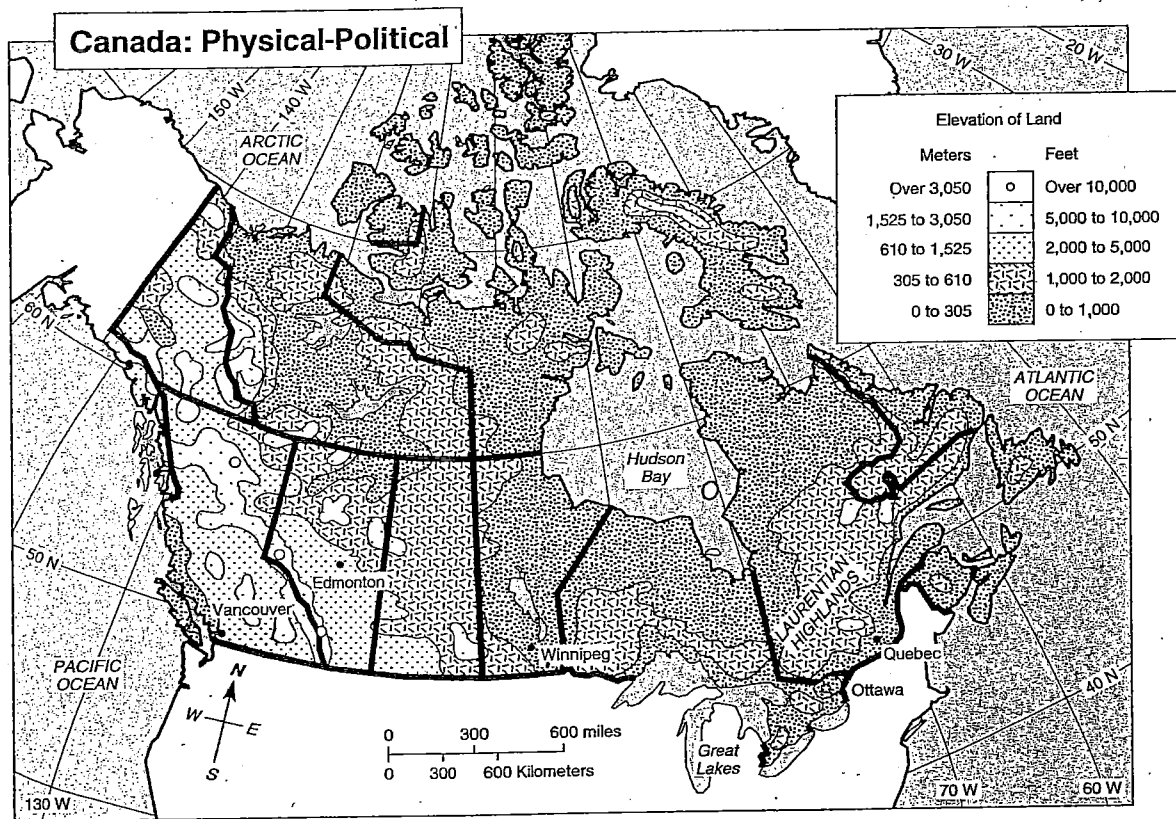
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## MapMaster Skills: Elevation on a Map

Elevation refers to the height of land above sea level. Mountains are the landforms with the highest elevation. Elevation is shown on maps by different colors or different types of shading. On a color map, lower elevations are generally shown in different shades of green, while higher elevations are shown in shades of brown. On the map of Canada below, different elevations are indicated by different types of patterns. The lighter the pattern, the higher the elevation.

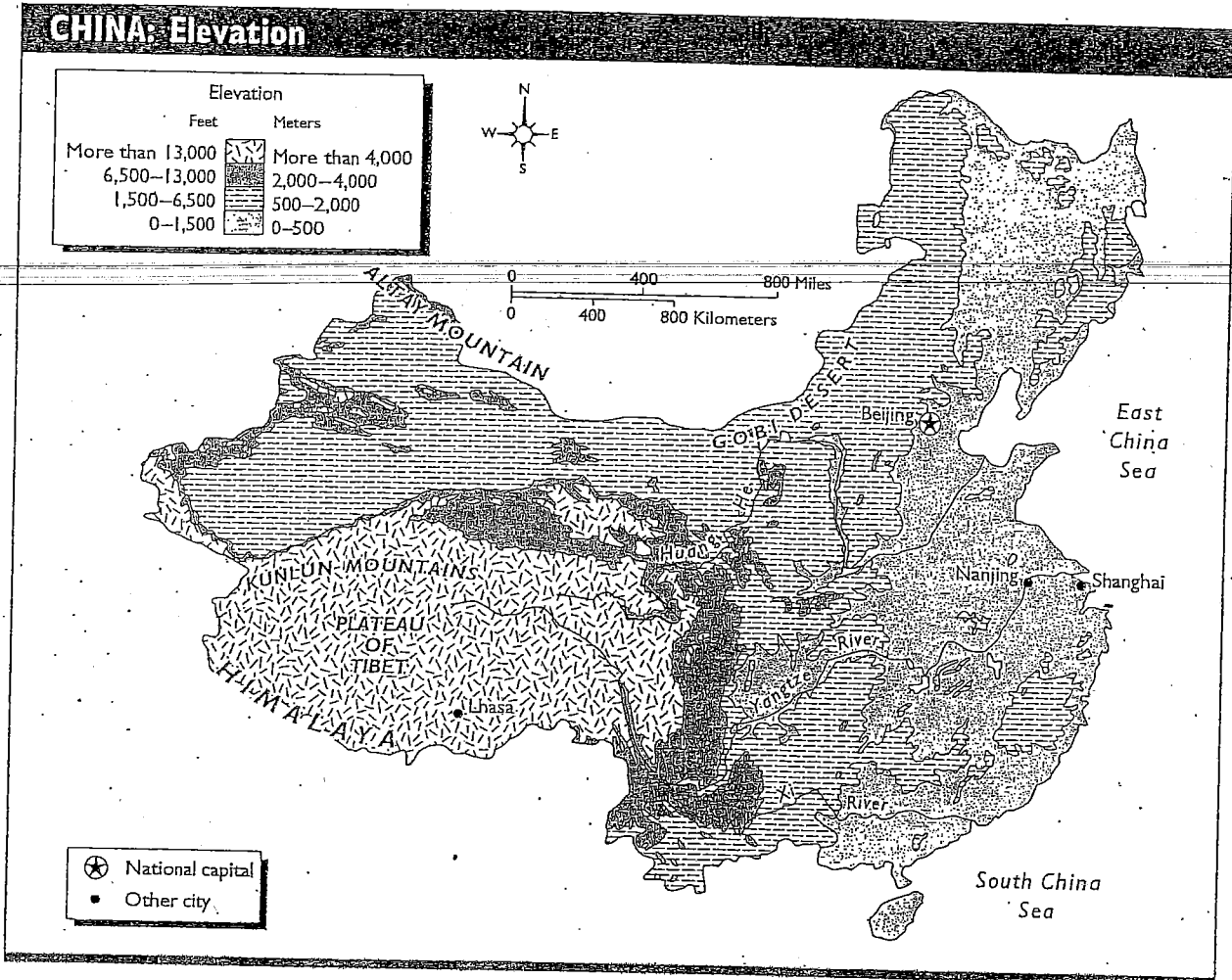
**Directions:** Study the map and the map key below. Then, answer the questions.



- In which area of Canada are the highest elevations found?  
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- What is the elevation of most of the land around Hudson Bay?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Which city is at a higher elevation, Quebec or Edmonton?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- What kinds of landforms would you expect to find in the western part of Canada?  
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## Using a Physical Map

The map shows the elevation of China. Study the map and the map key. Then put an X next to each correct sentence. For help, you may refer to pages H16 to H18 in your textbook.

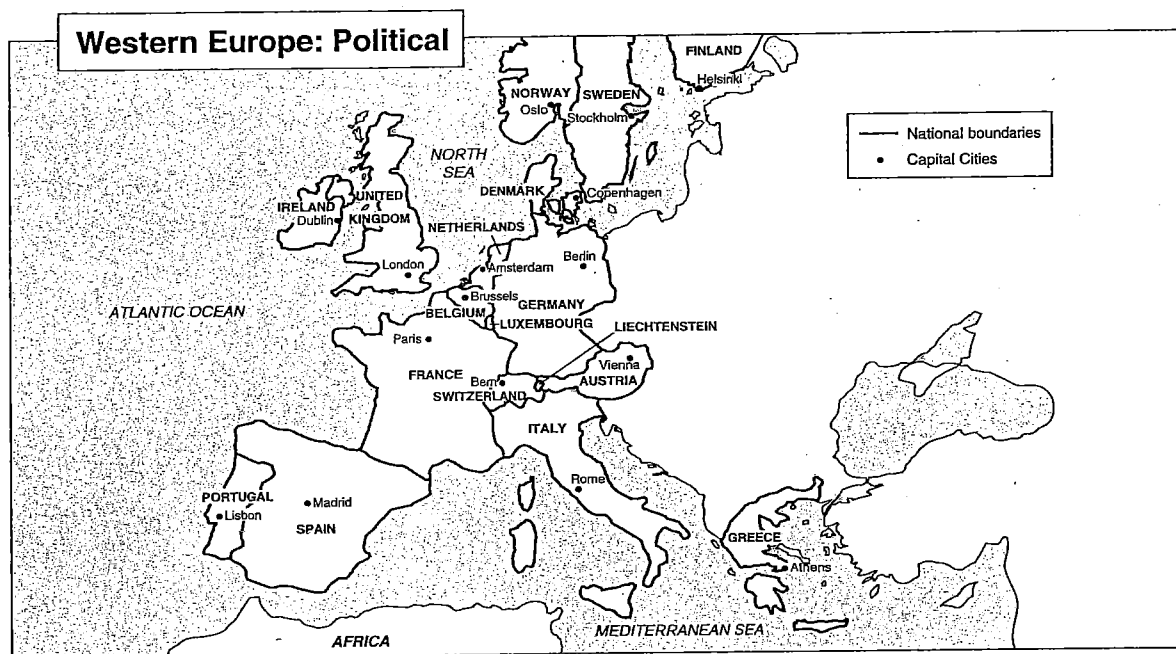


- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. The map of China is a physical map.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. The elevation along the eastern coast of China is about 7,000 feet.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. The southwestern part of China has an elevation of more than 13,000 feet.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. The capital city of China has an elevation between 0 and 500 meters.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. The city of Lhasa has a much lower elevation than Shanghai.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Shanghai and Beijing have about the same elevation.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. The elevation of most of China is less than 700 feet.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. The elevation of China increases as you travel from east to west.

## MapMaster Skills: Reading a Political Map

A political map shows political features such as national or state boundaries, capital cities and other major cities. Some political maps use color to differentiate countries or states. The map of Western Europe below is an example of a political map.

**Directions:** Study the map and the key below. Then, answer the questions that follow.

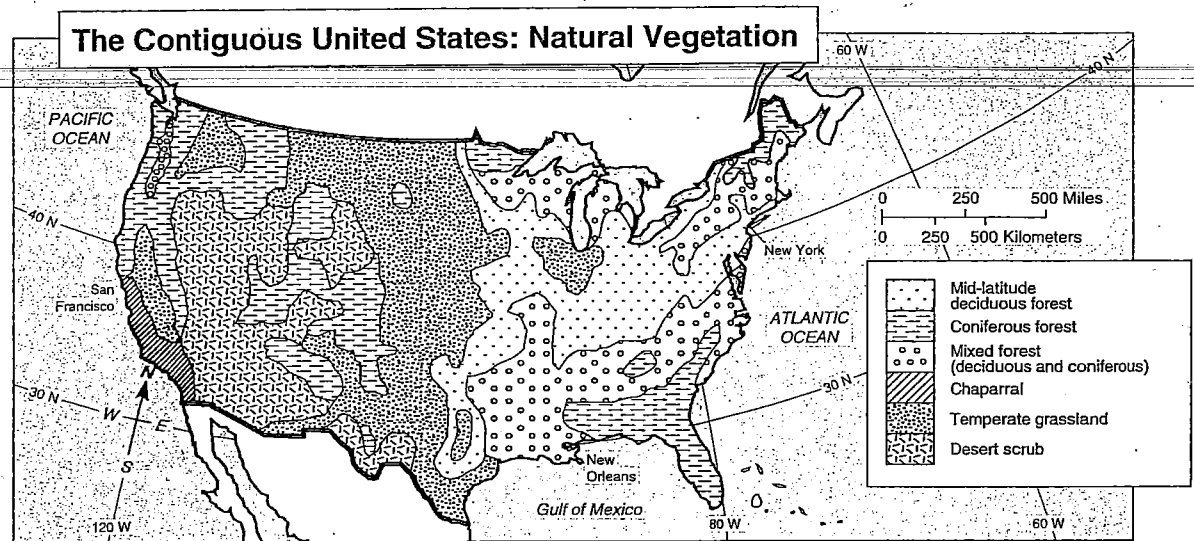


1. What does a solid black line on the map signify?  
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2. Which nations of Western Europe border on the Mediterranean Sea?  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. List the nations that share a border with Belgium.  
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4. What is the capital of Spain?  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. What is the capital of Germany?  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. Which western European country lies closest to the North African coast?  
\_\_\_\_\_

## MapMaster Skills: Reading a Natural Vegetation Map

A natural vegetation map tells you what plants grow naturally in places that have not been altered significantly by human activity. The map below shows the natural vegetation regions of the mainland United States.

**Directions:** Study the map and the map key below. Then, answer the questions that follow. You may wish to consult an atlas.

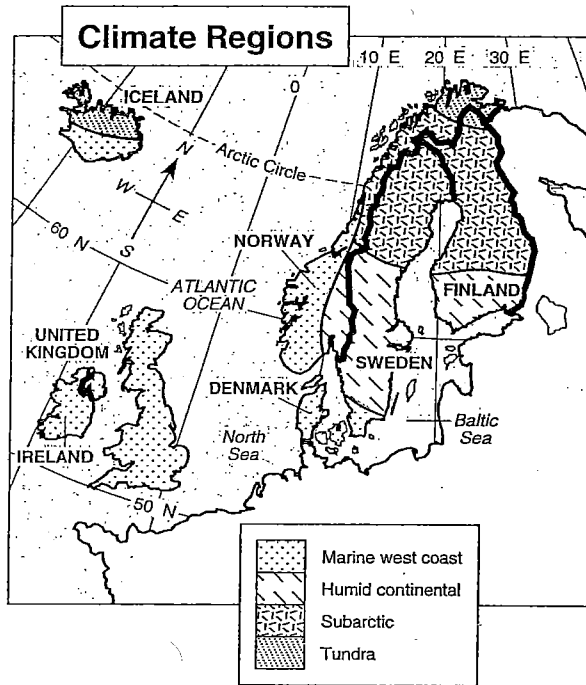


1. What is the natural vegetation of the area where you live?  
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2. What is the natural vegetation of the Great Plains?  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. If you were going to northern New England, what vegetation would you expect to find?  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. In the southern part of which state is chaparral the natural vegetation?  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. What kind of forest would you find in the Rocky Mountains?  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. What kinds of vegetation do the state of Washington and the state of Florida have in common?  
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## MapMaster Skills: Reading a Climate Map

Climate maps divide the world into climate regions. Each type of climate region has specific patterns of temperature, precipitation, and wind. The map below shows the climate regions of the British Isles and the Nordic nations.

**Directions:** Study the map and the map key below. Then, answer the questions that follow.



1. What is the climate region of the British Isles?  
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2. What three climate regions are found in Finland?  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Which climate region is found in the northernmost parts of the area shown on the map?  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. If you were to travel from the west coast of Norway to the east coast of Sweden, at about 60°N latitude, which climate regions would you experience?  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. Which of the countries shown have a subarctic climate region?  
\_\_\_\_\_