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# Create An Island!

While sailing on your private boat, you find a beautiful, undiscovered island. The government has asked you to map the island in exchange for the land. Just a little work, and the island is yours!

## Instructions:

□ **Step 1**: In order to impress the U.S. government and keep the land you've discovered, you need to create a **theme** for your island. The name of your island and its features will be based on your theme, so choose something you like and stick with it. (Try thinking about your favorite foods, music, animals, and sports.)

My **theme** is: \_\_\_\_\_ My island is called: \_\_\_\_\_

□ **Step 2**: Choose your island's **location** based on the type of **climate** (see p. 10) you would like it to have. You will need to explain which **hemispheres** (see p. 17) your island is located in, its **latitude and longitude** (see p. 17) coordinates, what the climate would be like, and why you chose your location.

My island is located in the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ **hemispheres**.

Its approximate latitude and longitude **coordinates** are \_\_\_\_\_.

What do you think the **climate** is like in this location? How can you tell? \_\_\_\_\_

I chose this location because \_\_\_\_\_

□ **Step 3**: Once you have chosen the theme and location, you are ready to **draw** the basic outline of the island. Make your island **big**, because you will want lots of space for labeling.

□ **Step 4**: You must incorporate and label the following features on your island:

□ 1 mountain range

□ 1 river

□ 1 capital city (with coordinates labeled)

□ 2 major cities (with coordinates labeled)

□ 1 forest **or** 1 desert (depending on the location and climate you chose)

□ the ocean in which your island is located

□ all lines of latitude and longitude

□ **Step 5**: Your legend must show the symbols for the following features:

□ mountain range

□ river

□ forest or desert

□ capital city

□ major city

## Criteria for Success:

□ **Latitude** and **longitude** are clearly labeled.

□ The **title** of your island is written neatly above the map (with correct capitalization).

□ The **location** of your island is described.

□ Your map includes a **compass rose**.

□ The **capital city** and **two major cities** are labeled with their names and **coordinates**.

□ Your island and its features follow the **theme** that you chose.

□ All **features** are neatly labeled and colored.

□ Your **legend** shows the symbols you used for your mountain range, river, forest/desert, capital city, and major cities.