

Map Class 01

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OVERVIEW OF THE MAPPING CLASS (09:20 AM)

- World - Political border, Physical features, and economic features.
- India - Political, Physical, and Economic.
- Current locations

WORLD PHYSICAL MAP:(10:00 AM)

PACIFIC OCEAN:

- largest, deepest of all oceans.
- Connected with all other oceans.
- Connected with all continents except Africa and Europe.
- Called as 'Ring of Fire'
- Twice the size of the Atlantic Ocean
- Challenger Deep--> Near the Philippines-
- The deepest point on the surface of the earth is located in the Mariana Trench

ATLANTIC OCEAN:

- S-shape
- youngest ocean
- second largest
- Asia and the Atlantic Ocean are not connected
- Mid oceanic ridge

INDIAN OCEAN:

- Only ocean to be named after a country.
- Not connected with the Arctic Ocean.
- Connected with all other oceans.

CONTINENTS (10:12 AM)

ASIA:

- Regions - West Asia/Middle East, Central Asia, South Asia, South-East Asia, South Asia
- Ural mountains form the land boundary of Asia. Separate Europe from Russia.
- Land boundaries include the Ural Mountains, Sinai Peninsula, Papua New Guinea, and Ural Mountains.
- The Arctic Ocean, Caspian Sea - Boundary between Asia and Europe.
- Black Sea, Mediterranean Sea; the Red Sea, Gulf of Aden, Arabian Sea, Persian Gulf, Gulf of Oman; Bay of Bengal; Andaman Sea - on the eastern side of the Andaman Islands, Gulf of Thailand; South and the East China Sea, Yellow Sea, Sea of Japan and East Sea, Bering Sea

West Asia:

- Not in West Asia - Georgia, Armenia and Azerbaijan
- Countries - Turkey and Iran; Yemen and Oman; Saudi Arabia etc.
- Cyprus - It is a member of the EU; and geographically located on the continental shelf of Asia; in the UN it sits in the Asia-Pacific group
- Ankara is the capital of Turkey; Turkey is both in Europe and Asia
- The Aegean Sea and Sea of Marmara (connected with the Black Sea) - separate European Turkey and Asian Turkey; Istanbul (earlier Constantinople - silk trade used to pass through) is in European Turkey; the largest city of entire Europe
- Iran - capital is Tehran; waterbodies - Caspian, Sea, Gulf of Oman, Arabian Sea, Persian Gulf
- Persian Gulf - Iran on the North; Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia (also access to the Red Sea),
- No country in West Asia is landlocked
- UAE (Capital - Abu Dhabi) is between Saudi Arabia and Oman (Muscat)
- Houthi rebels in Yemen and the civil war is going on
- Qatar (Doha) - It is a peninsula; with only a border with Saudi Arabia
- Bahrain - It is an island
- Riyadh is in the middle of Saudi Arabia; Mecca and Medina are in Saudi Arabia; Monarchy still prevails there
- The capitals of these countries are important
- Oman has a coast in the Persian Gulf
- Gulf of Oman - Oman and UAE
- Gulf of Aden - Yemen, Somalia, Djiboutii
- Red Sea - Yemen, Saudi Arabia, Israel, Egypt, Sudan, Eritrea, Jordan
- Gulf of Suez and Gulf of Aqaba (Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Israel, Egypt - two ports Aqaba - Jordan; Elat - Israel)
- Jordan (Amman) - has a cost in the Gulf of Aqaba; the Jordon River marks the border between Jordan and Israel; It enters and drains into the Dead Sea (the lowest point on the continent of the earth)
- Israel - the land of Jews; Jerusalem is the capital
- Palestine - West Bank (west bank of Jordon river) and Gaza
- Lebanon (Beirut is the capital)
- Syria - Damascus is the capital of Syria
- Golan Heights - occupied by Israel in 1967 during 6 days of the war; junction of Syria, Jordan, Israel, and Lebanon
- Shia countries - Iran, Iraq, Bahrain, and Lebanon; ruler of Syria ie Assad but people are Sunni
- Sunni - Saudi Arabia
- Kurdistan - Border area of Turkey, Iraq, and Syria; tribal people who live here are Kurds.

Central Asia:(11:42 AM)

- 5 Central Asian Countries - Kazakstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkmenistan
- Afghanistan is not traditionally part of Central Asia
- India has a border with Afghanistan in the Wakhan Corridor
- All are landlocked countries except Turkmenistan and Kazakstan
- Uzbekistan is doubly landlocked - surrounded by all landlocked country
- Capitals:
- Kazakstan - Noor Sultan
- Kyrgyzstan - Bishkek (Pamir Knot, Bisket Declaration for Snowleopard Conservation)
- Uzbekistan - Tashkent
- Tajikistan - Dushanbe
- Turkmenistan - Ashgabat
- **South Asia:**
- Afghanistan, Pakistan, India, Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh, Srilanka, Maldives.

SE Asia:(11:57 AM)

- It has 10 countries that are members of the ASEAN
- 5 countries for the mainland - Myanmar, Thailand (maritime boundary with India in the Andaman Sea), Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia; also known as Indo-China
- 5 Island countries - Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia, Brunei, Philippines.
- This region has maximum Archipelago due to Ocean Ocean Convergent boundaries
- Coco Islands - Myanmar has a maritime boundary with India
- Thailand - Bangkok (Bangkok Declaration - ASEAN was established through this declaration)
- Laos - Vientiane is the capital
- Cambodia - is famous for its Angkorvat Temple; Phon Penh is the capital
- Vietnam - Hanoi is the capital
- Malaysia - Kuala Lumpur is the capital; Islamic majority country
- Singapore - Island; is the world's busiest port
- Indonesia - Sumatra, Java; Jakarta is the capital and is in Java; now the capital is being shifted; It has the highest Islamic population in the world
- Brunei - Bandar Seri Begawan is the capital
- The Philippines - Manila is the capital; it has 3 important regions ie Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao
- Note: East Timor is part of Asia but not part of ASEAN.

TOPIC FOR THE NEXT CLASS: SOUTH ASIA.