Terms to know
- **Map**: A drawing that shows what places look like from above and where they are located
- **Globe**: A round model of the Earth
- **Symbol**: A picture or thing that stands for something else
- **Map legend**: A list of shapes and symbols used on a map and an explanation of what each stands for
- **Cardinal directions**: The directions of north, east, south, west

**Map symbols** to identify
- **Land**
- **Water**
- **Cities**
- **Roads**

The locations of the capital cities of Washington, D.C., and Richmond, Virginia, are identified by specific symbols (see map below).

The **equator** and the **prime meridian** divide the globe into four hemispheres.

The four hemispheres are **Northern**, **Southern**, **Eastern**, and **Western**.

- **Hemisphere**: Half of a sphere (globe) created by the prime meridian or the equator
- **Equator**: An imaginary line around the middle of the earth that divides the globe into the northern and southern hemispheres
- **Prime meridian**: An imaginary line that divides the globe into the eastern and western hemispheres
- **Regions**: Places that have common characteristics
- **Continent**: A large body of land on the Earth
Where are the seven continents and the five oceans located on a world map?

The seven continents
Locate North America, South America, Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia, and Antarctica on maps and globes.

The five oceans
Locate the Arctic Ocean, the Atlantic Ocean, the Indian Ocean, the Pacific Ocean and the Southern Ocean on maps and globes.

STANDARD 2.4 Locate China and Egypt on world maps; compare the climate, land, and plant life of these regions; describe how people in these regions adapt to their environment

Where are China and Egypt located on a world map?

China is located in Asia. Egypt is located in Africa.
The United States is located in North America (see map)

Locate the Huang He in China

The Nile River in Egypt.
The empire of Mali was located in the western region of the continent of Africa.

Ancient Greece was located on a peninsula, with mountains and hills and was surrounded by many islands and the Mediterranean Sea. Greece had limited rich soil.

Ancient Rome was located next to a river. The soil was limited for farming. A variety of trees grew in ancient Rome.

Locate the James River, the Mississippi River, the Rio Grande, the Appalachian Mountains, the Rocky Mountains, and the general area of the Great Lakes on a United States map.
On which continents are England, Spain, France, and the United States located? Where are the countries of Spain, England, and France located on a world map?

England, Spain, and France are located on the continent of Europe. The United States is located on the continent of North America. (locate on map)

Where are the regions (general areas) of San Salvador in the Bahamas; St. Augustine, Florida; Quebec, Canada; and Jamestown, Virginia located on a map?

San Salvador is located in the general area of the Bahamas. St. Augustine is located in northern Florida. Quebec is located in Canada. Jamestown is located in Virginia. (locate on map)