My Mental Map of the World



After you have completed your mental map, compare it to your partner's map and discuss these two points:

- Do you see the world more or less in the same way?
- Do your maps have the same strengths and weaknesses?

Compare your own map with a world map in an atlas, and evaluate it using the chart below. Date your map and include it in the first section (World Geography) of your Travel Portfolio.



You may wish to use a rating scale from 1 (lowest) to 4 (highest) to assess the quality of your map.

Map Characteristics	Quality (1 - 4)	What I Need to Improve, Add, or Correct
My map clearly indicates what is North, South, East, or West.		
All of the seven continents are on the map.		
Each continent is in the correct hemisphere.		
The sizes of the continents are roughly correct.		
The shapes of the continents are roughly correct.		
The shapes and sizes of the oceans are roughly correct.		
The distances between distant points are more or less in scale (proportional).		
I have correctly named or placed a few distinctive features in the world to help orient the reader of the map.		