

American Economic History Map Exercise

Print out the attached blank map. Look at the list below. Research places and regions you do not know about. Draw on the map the numbers 1 to 40 in locations roughly corresponding to:

1. New England settlement: “City Upon a Hill”
2. Virginia settlement: “Free from government oppression”
3. Kentucky settlement: “Blood-and-soil frontiersman”—and thus a special people
4. The other major initial British and British-controlled settlement
5. The Appalachian Mountains
6. The lower Mississippi-Missouri-Ohio River
7. The Erie Canal
8. New York City (commerce, then manufacturing, now finance)
9. Philadelphia (first capital)
10. Washington DC
11. Houston (oil industry)
12. Chicago
13. The Rocky Mountains
14. The Cherokee homeland
15. The Sioux homeland
16. The Navajo homeland
17. The Sierra Nevada
18. The Columbia River
19. Silicon Valley
20. The principal hub of the American entertainment industry
21. The former center of the American auto industry
22. The former center of the American steel industry
23. The Great Lakes
24. The Rio Grande River
25. The Central Valley of California
26. The current center of settlement of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (Mormons)
27. Two centers of major coal deposits
28. George Washington’s home
29. New Orleans
30. Cincinnati (early 19th century meatpacking “Porkopolis”)
31. The Ohio River
32. Gadsden’s Wharf
33. The Missouri River
34. The initial center of the American textile industry
35. The initial center of tobacco cultivation for export
36. The center of cotton production
37. The location of the largest Amerindian earth-mound structures surviving.
38. New Orleans
39. The shortest portage between the Great Lakes and Mississippi watersheds
40. St. Louis

Lower 48

