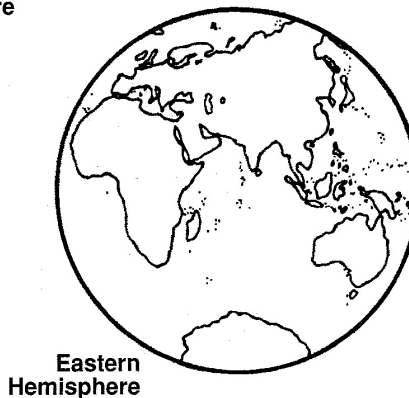
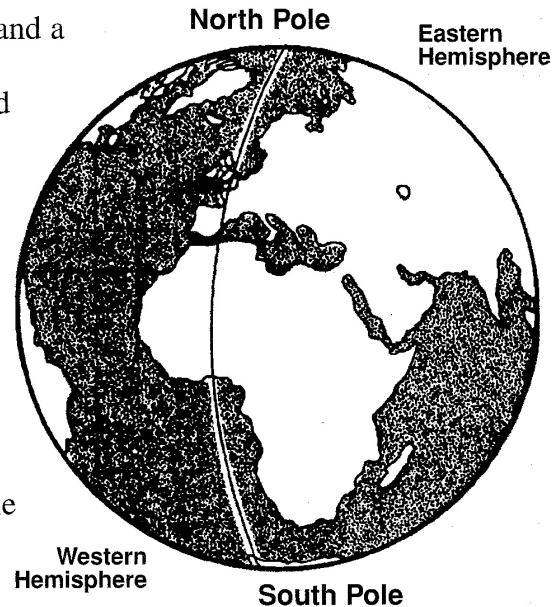


## Science Skills-7

### Reading Maps

Just as the Earth is divided into a northern half and a southern half by an imaginary line called the equator, it is also divided into a western half and an eastern half by two imaginary lines that run from the **North Pole** to the **South Pole**.

The line that connects the North Pole and the South Pole on one side of the Earth is called the **prime meridian**. It runs through a place called Greenwich (pronounced Gren'ich), which is in England. The line that connects the North Pole and South Pole on the opposite side of the Earth is called the **International Date Line**. Both lines are part of the same circle that goes around the Earth.



The half of the Earth that is west of the prime meridian is called the **Western Hemisphere**. The half of the Earth that is east of the prime meridian is called the **Eastern Hemisphere**.

Name the continents that are in the Western Hemisphere.

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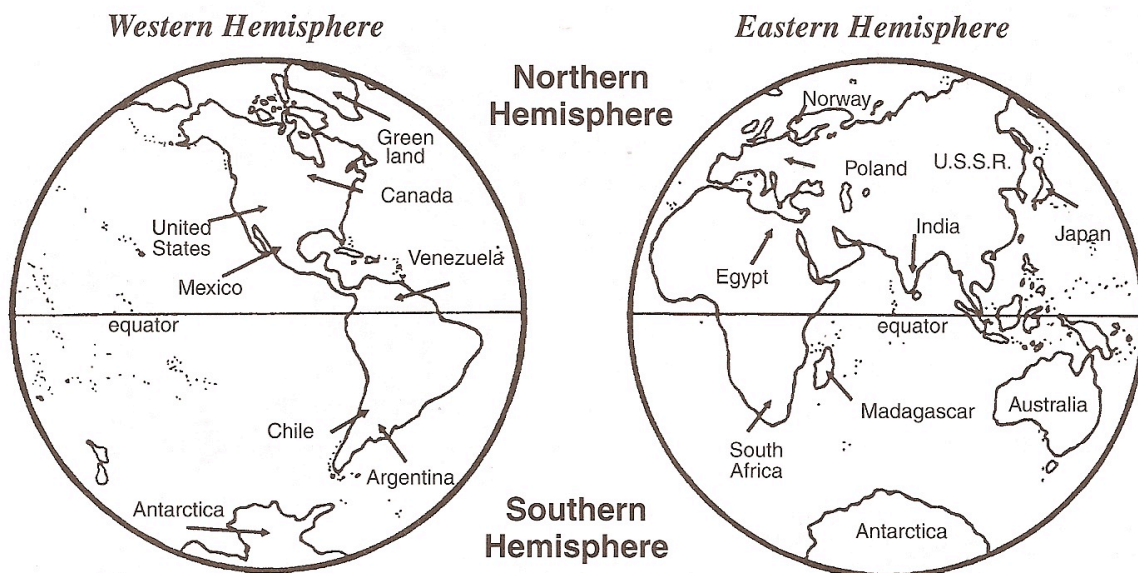
Name the continents that are in the Eastern Hemisphere. 4. \_\_\_\_\_

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What is the name of the line that runs through Greenwich, England?

9. \_\_\_\_\_

Use the hemisphere maps on this page to help you locate the correct hemispheres for the places listed below.



HEMISPHERE LOCATION CHART		
Place	Hemisphere Northern/Southern	Hemisphere Eastern/Western
1. South Africa		
2. Norway		
3. Venezuela		
4. Mexico		
5. Canada		
6. Egypt		
7. U.S.A.		
8. Greenland		