

# CREATE A COUNTRY!

## METALS, MINERALS AND ENERGY: DISCOVERY PHASE

The process of creating a new and unique country has lasted several weeks and will be graded in parts as you complete the various steps toward finishing the project.

1. Draw an accurate free hand map of the world on a blank piece of paper. Make sure you have the equator and prime meridian labeled. Label each continent and ocean accurately. **10 points**
2. Draw the country you created on your world map. Place it in the exact location you imagined it would be located. Draw it to scale. For example, if you determined your country was 50 miles wide, it would be pretty tiny on your world map. If your country was 500 miles wide, it would be about ten times larger than the previous example. USE THE SCALE OF THE WORLD MAP IN YOUR ATLAS/TEXT to make your country the correct size. **5 points**
3. Color and label your country, using its official name, on your hand drawn world map. **5 points**
4. Using the world map in your atlas, determine the *coordinates* for the middle of your imaginary country. Write these *coordinates* close to your country on the map. **5 points**
5. You will determine, based on the relative location of your country to various known deposits of metals and energy resources, what type of metals, minerals and energy resources are located in your country. To do this you will use the “Energy Resources and Metals” thematic maps indexed on the back cover of your atlas.
6. If a resource is located within 100 miles of your imaginary country, you will be able to have that resource within your territory. If you are a remote island nation and are NOT within 100 miles of any known resources, you will claim any two (2) natural resources for your country. You can only have two, so choose wisely!
7. List the *natural resources* that are located in your imaginary country on the back of your hand drawn world map under the title “The known natural resources of (your country’s name)”.  
**10 points**

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ACCURATE free hand world map with all specifics labeled \_\_\_\_\_/10

My country drawn to SCALE on the free hand map \_\_\_\_\_/5

My country colored and labeled on the free hand map \_\_\_\_\_/5

COORDINATES accurately determined and written by my country \_\_\_\_\_/5

List of all available NATURAL RESOURCES and proper title on back \_\_\_\_\_/10

TOTAL POINTS earned on activity \_\_\_\_\_/35