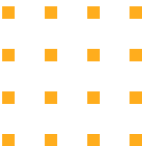
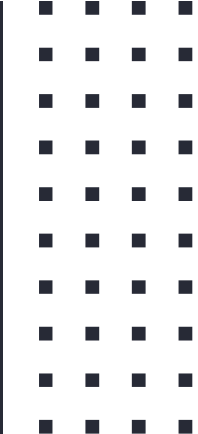


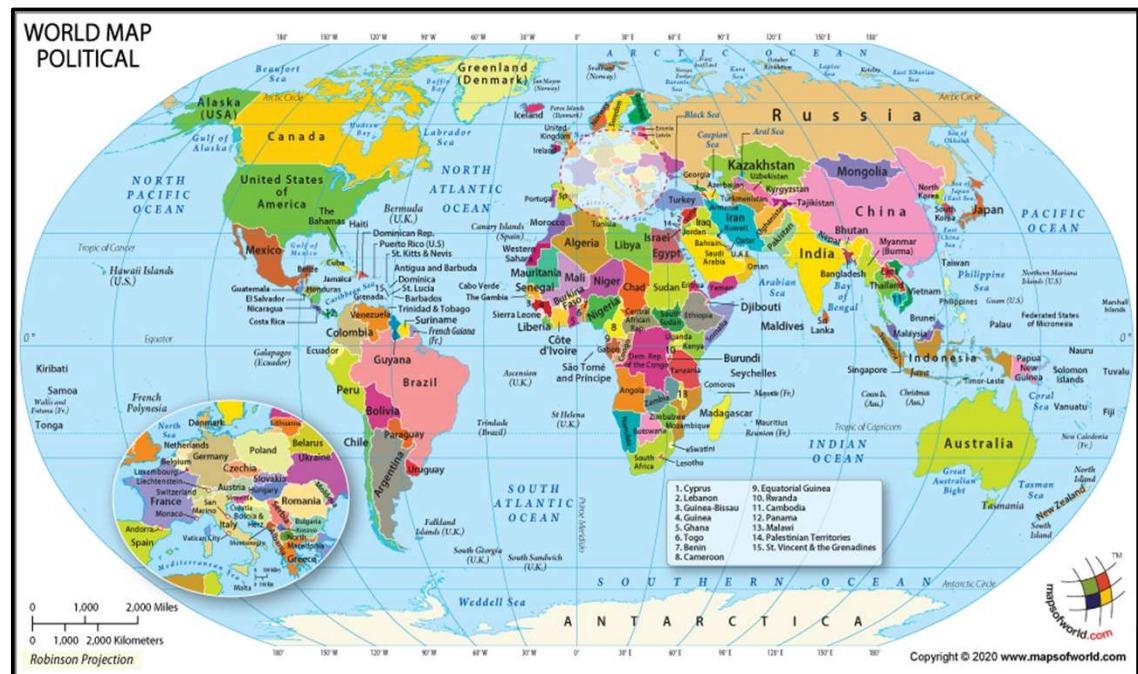


Shapes of States



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- 5 basic shapes
 - Compact
 - Prorupt
 - Elongated
 - Fragmented
 - Perforated



COMPACT STATES

- Easier to govern
 - Distance from the center to any boundary does not vary significantly.
- Example: Common throughout Europe
 - Poland
 - Germany




PRORUPTED STATES

- Compact state with a large, projecting extension
 - Can provide a state with access to water.
 - Examples: Congo



PERFORATED STATE

- A state that surrounds another one.
(AKA – Enclave)
 - Can blockade state within
- EXAMPLES:
 - Italy  Vatican City and San Marino
 - South Africa
 - Lesotho



ELGONGATED STATE

- Long narrow shape:
- Negative:
 - May suffer from poor internal communications
 - Example: Chile, Vietnam



Fragmented State

- Includes several discontinuous pieces (AKA Exclave)
- A portion of territory of one state completely surrounded by territory of another
- Examples: Indonesia, U.S.



Landlocked vs. Coastal

- Landlocked countries are at a major developmental disadvantage
 - Many in Africa due to remnants of colonialism
 - Must arrange to use another country's sea port
- Coast lines can be a major advantage -Singapore (224 sq miles) is located at a crossroads of shipping and trade

