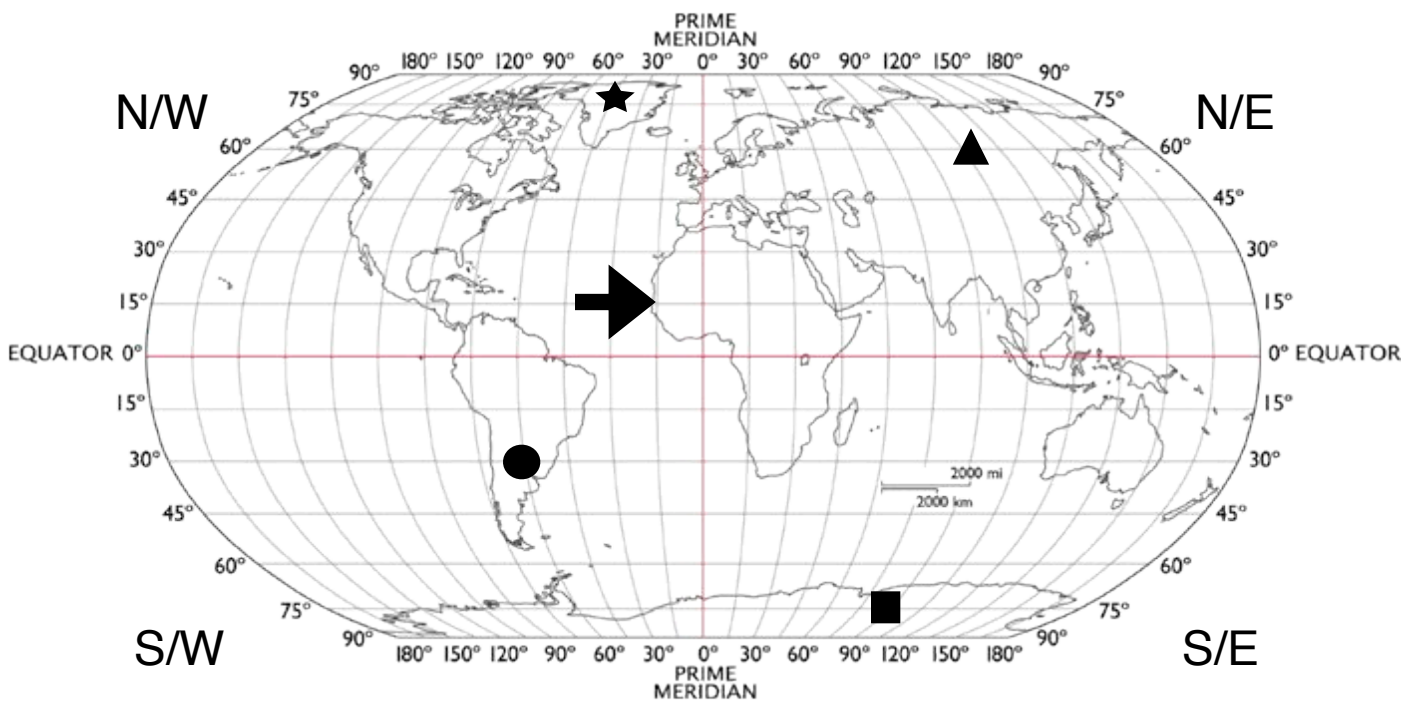



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Latitude and Longitude

Lines of latitude and longitude are part of a geographic coordinate system that is used to locate every location on the Earth. Lines of longitude are vertical lines that run from the North Pole to the South Pole equidistant around the globe. Lines of latitude run horizontally outward from the center of the globe at its widest point, the Equator, equidistant towards each Pole.

Lines of latitude and longitude are marked as degrees. Longitude lines start at 0° at the Prime Meridian and run to 180° east and west around the globe. They are called meridians. Latitude lines begin at 0° at the Equator and run to 90° outward towards each Pole. They are called parallels.



Example:  N 15° W 15°

Directions: Using the lines of latitude and longitude, write the approximate coordinates of each shape. Be sure to use the directional letters. On what continent is each shape?

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