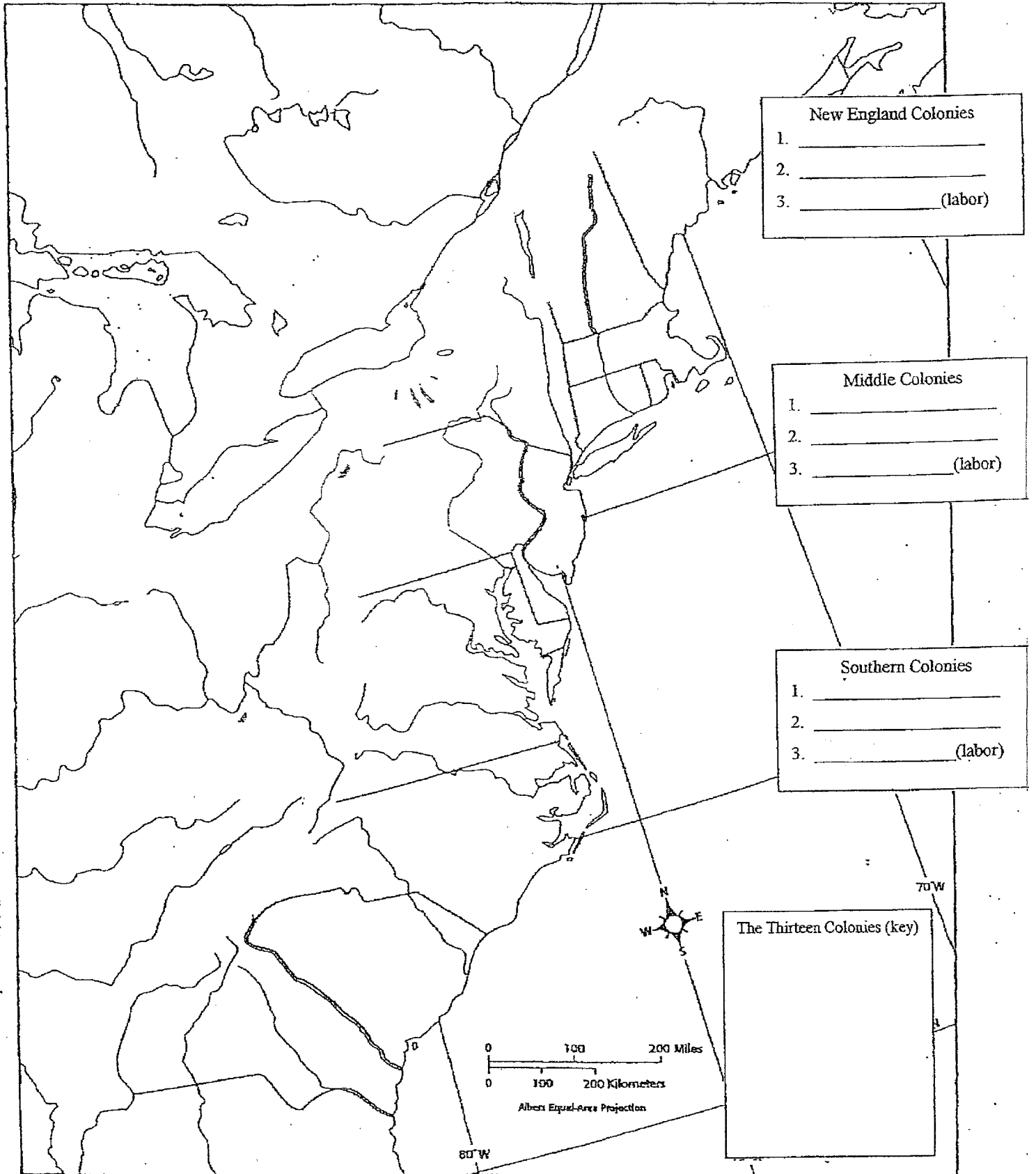


The Thirteen Colonies
[Circa 1750]



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This is a map of the thirteen colonies 150 years after the founding of Jamestown, as they were before the French and Indian War. As you complete it, think about how the physical features of the colonies contributed to the development of a variety of political, religious, economic and cultural characteristics. Complete the map carefully following the directions.

Use the maps on pages 81, 84 and 93 of your classroom text, pages 24 through 27 of our Nystrom classroom (blue) atlas and our classroom map.

1. Outline in ink and label each of the colonies. You may use the two letter postal abbreviations if you choose. *Note that Massachusetts includes parts of what is now Maine, and that Vermont is disputed territory between New York and New Hampshire.* (13)

2. Color each region (New England, Middle, Southern) of colonies with the same color. Make a key to show what each color on your map represents. (6)

3. Label and shade (brown) the Appalachian Mountains. *Notice that for many of the colonies, there is no defined western border. This is because the English land claims stretched from sea to sea. The Appalachian Mountains provided a natural boundary which curbed expansion, but not a distinct political one. To show this, fade the coloring of your colonies into the mountain range – there should not be a solid western border.* (2)

4. Locate and label the following cities: Boston , Charleston (Charles Town), Jamestown , New York City, Philadelphia, and Savannah. (6)

5. Trace in blue and label (parallel to the river) the following rivers: Allegheny, Delaware, Potomac, Hudson, Monongahela, Ohio, and St. Lawrence. (7)

6. Complete the regional boxes on the map by listing 2 economic products or activities for each colonial region (2 crops, goods, or businesses that colonists in that region used to make a living). On the third line name the primary labor force in the region. (9)

7. Proper mapping format and key (2)

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