**US Geography Activity Directions**

Please use the US Facts handout, the maps around the room, and the books I have in class to label this map!

**1. Please tape, staple, or glue your map into your notebook and label the following features on your map:**  
-The Pacific Ocean  
-The Atlantic Ocean  
-The Gulf of Mexico  
-The Great Lakes (Lake Superior, Lake Michigan, Lake Erie, Lake Huron, Lake Ontario)  
-Mississippi River  
-The Colorado River  
-The Rocky Mountains  
-The Appalachian Mountains  
-The Sierra Nevada Mountains  
-The Great Basin  
-The Mojave Desert  
-The Great Plains  
-New York City  
-Los Angeles  
-Chicago

**2. Please shade the following regions of the US on   
your map in different colors or patterns:**  
(it is okay if your regions are approximate, and not exact)  
-New England  
-Mid-Atlantic  
-The West   
-The Southwest  
-The Midwest  
-The South

**3. Please answer the following questions in your notebook near the map:**  
1. Which region(s) contains deserts?  
2. Which region(s) contain mountains?  
3. Which region would you most likely live in if you wanted to be a farmer?  
4. Which region do you think you would live in if you moved to the US? Why?  
5. Which region do you think people settled in first?  
6. What countries border the USA?  
7. Name some of the largest cities in the US. What do these cities have in common geographically?  
8. Please take a look at the names and placements of the states, and what regions they belong to. There is no question for this one, I just want you to know what I mean when I talk about ‘Nebraska’ or ‘Montana’ or any other state!  
9. Please also make sure you have a direction compass on your map- with the cardinal directions North, South, East, and West.