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What Are Maps?

Directions: Read, or listen to the teacher read, the passage below about maps. What is the main topic of the text? Use the web to write details and key words about the topic.

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What is a map? A map is a drawing of a place. A map shows land forms such as water, mountains, and forests. A map can also show things like railroads, parks, and schools. A map can show countries and states. A globe is a map of the Earth. People use maps to find places and learn about different areas. You can draw your own map of your house or school. Someone who makes maps for a living is called a mapmaker, or cartographer.

