



TEXAS HISTORY SUMMER GEOGRAPHY ASSIGNMENT

STUDENT NAME: _____

INSTRUCTIONS: Students must complete each task listed below prior to the start of the 2009-2010 school year. Students will be assessed on their knowledge of the covered material via a **major exam** during the second week of school.

Students should use the following resources to help them complete the assigned tasks: The Handbook of Texas Online at <http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online> ; Google Maps at <http://maps.google.com> ; Geology.com at <http://geology.com/state-map/texas.shtml> ; and TravelTex.com at <http://traveltex.com/TexasMap.aspx> .

PART I: MAP SKILLS

INSTRUCTIONS: Students must be able to correctly locate and label each of the following on a map of Texas.

A. Cities of Texas (use Map #1):

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| a. Abilene | i. Fort Worth |
| b. Amarillo | j. Houston |
| c. Austin | k. Lubbock |
| d. Beaumont | l. Nacogdoches |
| e. Brownsville | m. San Antonio |
| f. Corpus Christi | n. San Felipe |
| g. Dallas | o. Washington-on-the-Brazos |
| h. El Paso | |

B. Rivers and Natural Features of Texas (use Map #2):

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| a. Balcones Escarpment | k. Matagorda Bay |
| b. Brazos River | l. Neches River |
| c. Buffalo Bayou | m. Nueces River |
| d. Canadian River | n. Pecos River |
| e. Caprock Escarpment | o. Red River |
| f. Colorado River | p. Rio Grande |
| g. Corpus Christi Bay | q. Sabine River |
| h. Galveston Bay | r. San Antonio River |
| i. Guadalupe Mountains | s. San Jacinto River |
| j. Guadalupe River | t. Trinity River |

C. Regions and Subregions of Texas (use Map #3):

I. Coastal Plains

- a. Blackland Prairie
- b. Gulf Coast Plains
- c. Piney Woods
- d. Post Oak Belt
- e. South Texas Plains

- b. High Plains
- c. Llano Basin

II. Great Plains

- a. Edwards Plateau

III. Mountains and Basins

IV. North Central Plains

- a. Cross Timbers
- b. Grand Prairie
- c. Rolling Plains

PART II: LONGITUDE AND LATITUDE:

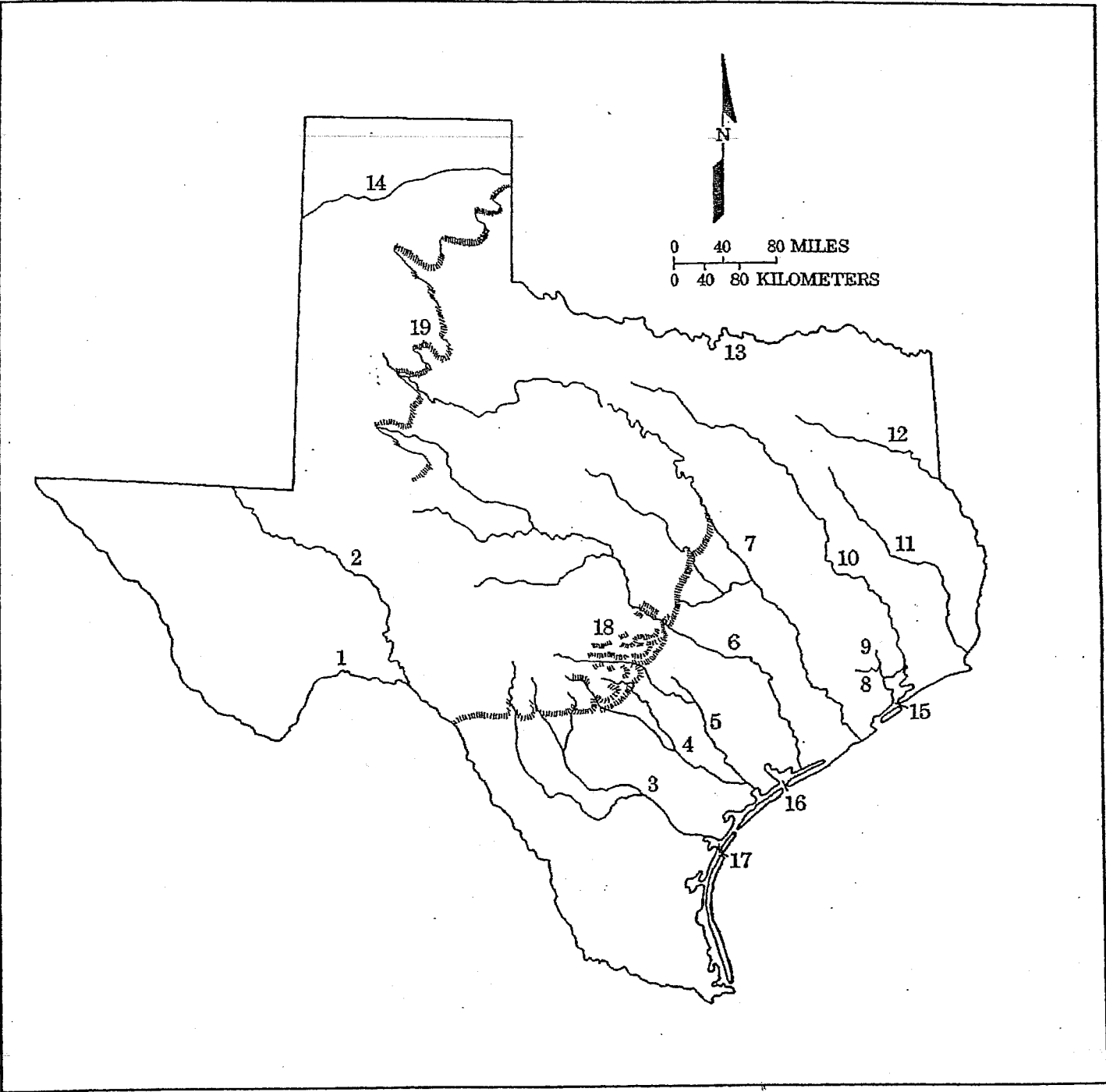
INSTRUCTIONS: Students must be able to identify the Texas city located at the indicated longitude and latitude. Use the worksheet associated with Map #4.

PART IV: SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS:

INSTRUCTIONS: Students must be able to answer the following questions in complete sentences.

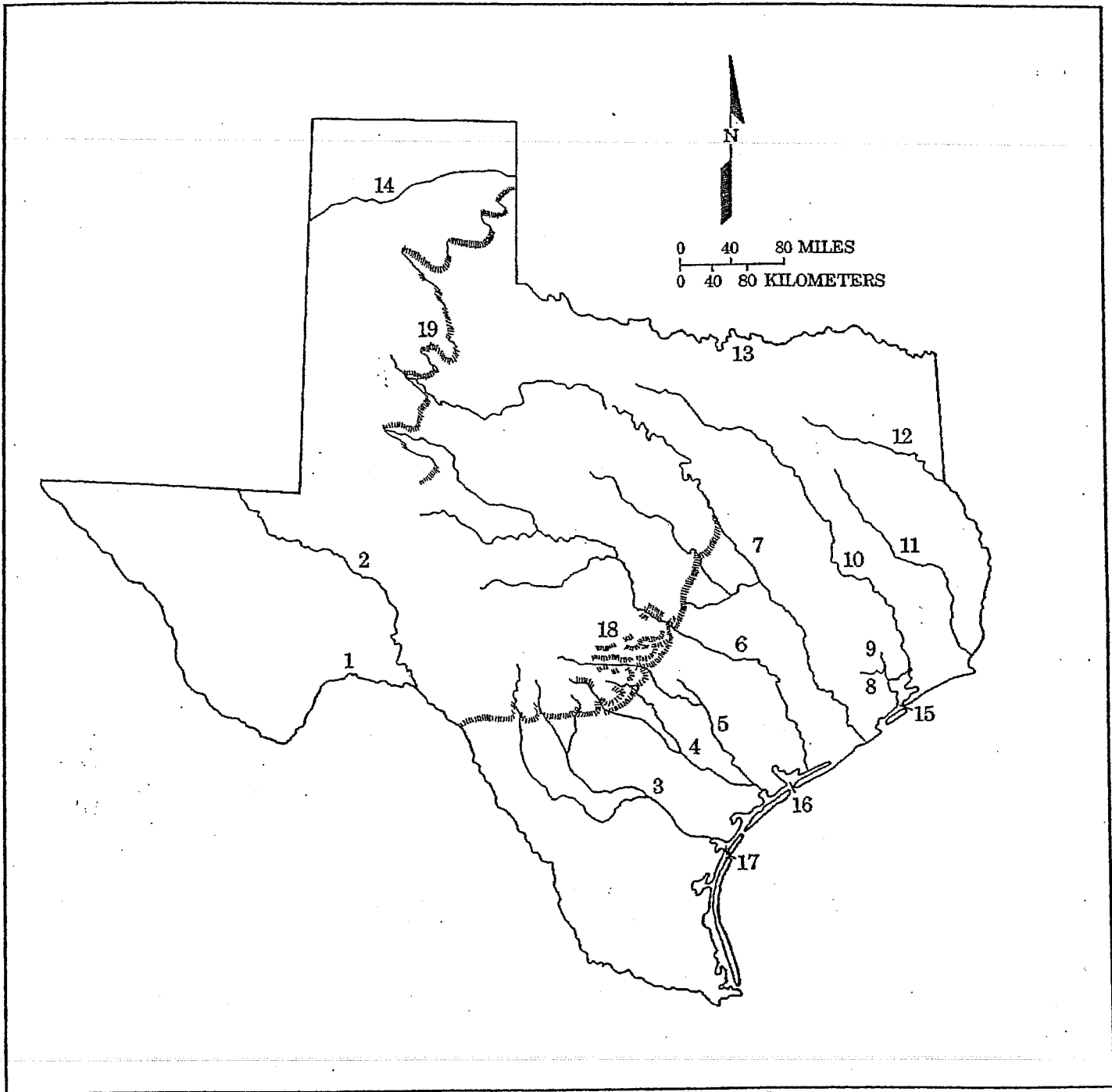
1. What are the six elements of geography?
2. How is temperature affected by elevation?
3. What effect does elevation have on rainfall?
4. What is the only naturally formed lake in Texas?
5. What are the three types of natural vegetation in Texas?
6. Describe the absolute location of Texas.
7. Describe the relative location of Texas.
8. What is the highest mountain in Texas?
9. What is the largest and most populated natural region in Texas?
10. How does the physical environment affect/impact human activities?

Map 1 Cities of Texas



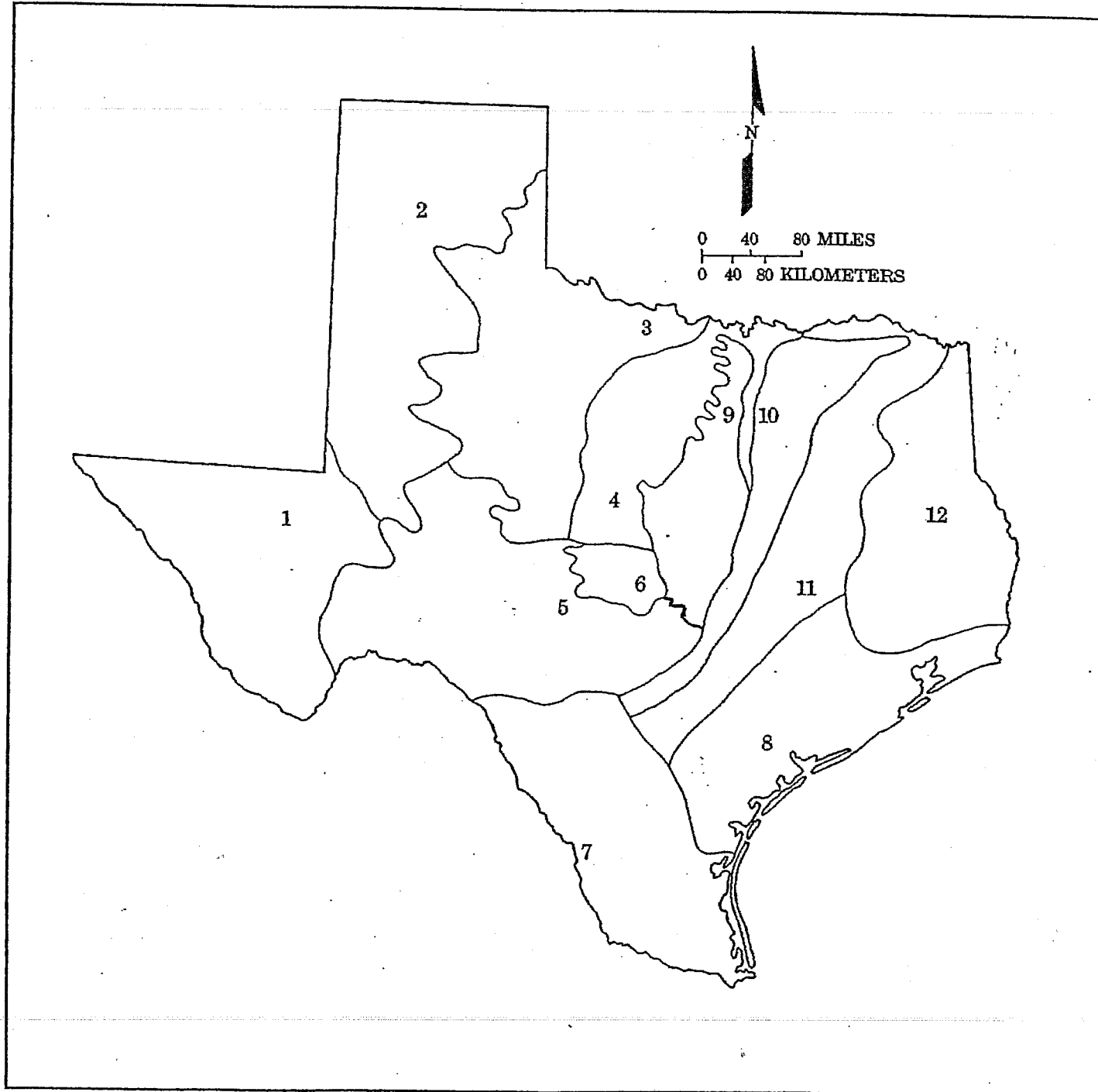
Map 2

Rivers and Natural Features of Texas



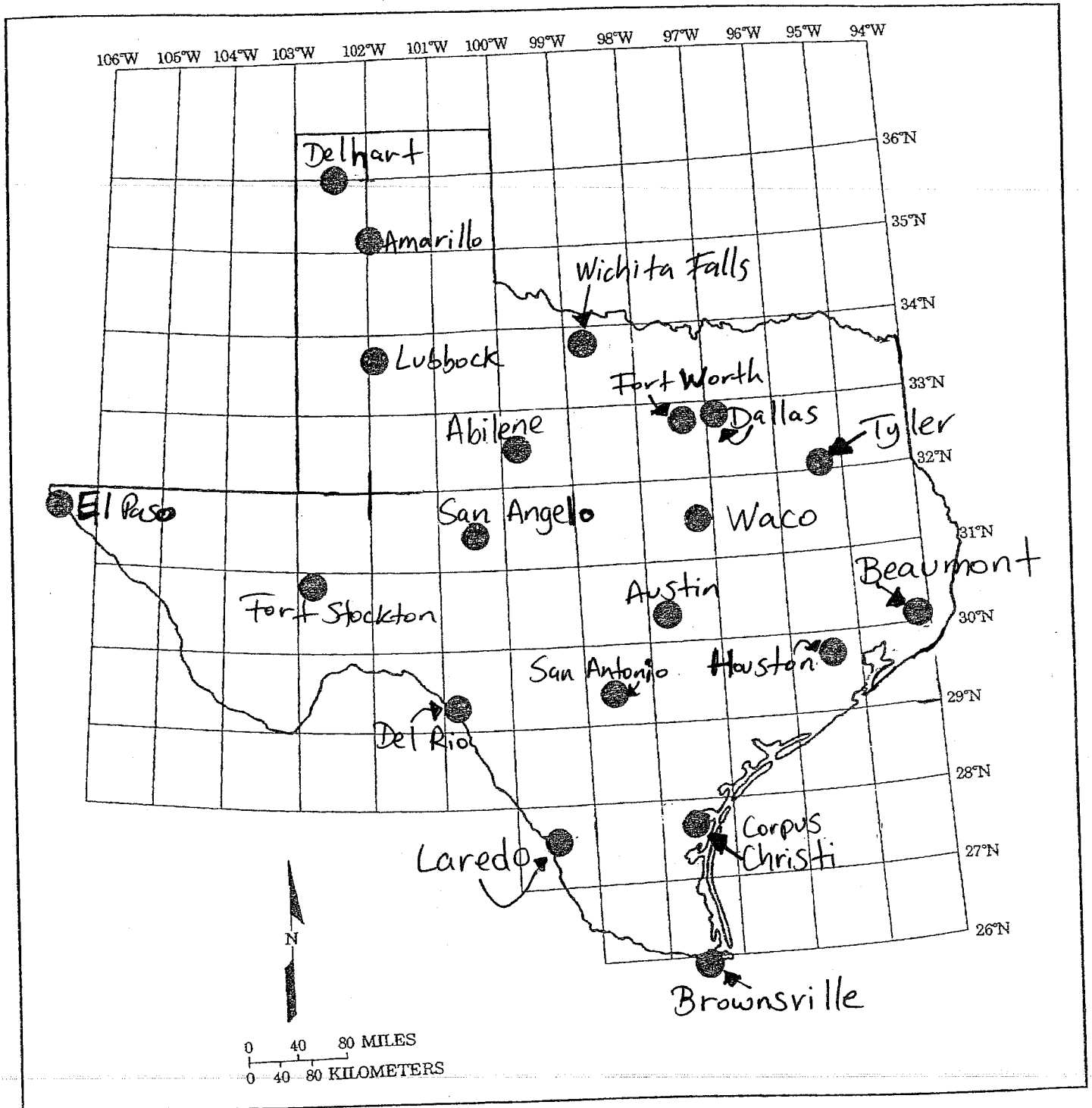
Map 3

Regions of Texas and Sub-Regions of Texas



Map 4

Coordinates of Texas Cities



Name: _____

Most Places are not located exactly on meridian and parallels but between meridians and parallels. This is true for the Texas cities whose coordinates are given below. Give the cities of the location of each on **Map #4**.

Latitude	Longitude	
1. Between 32 N and 33 N	Between 99 W and 100 W	_____
2. Between 35 N and 36 N	Between 101 W and 102 W	_____
3. Between 32 N and 33 N	Between 96 W and 97 W	_____
4. Between 27 N and 28 N	Between 99 W and 100 W	_____
5. Between 29 N and 30 N	Between 95 W and 96 W	_____
6. Between 31 N and 32 N	Between 106 W and 107 W	_____
7. Between 29 N and 30 N	Between 98 W and 99 W	_____
8. Between 25 N and 26 N	Between 97 W and 98 W	_____
9. Between 32 N and 33 N	Between 97 W and 98 W	_____
10. Between 30 N and 31 N	Between 97 W and 98 W	_____
11. Between 33 N and 34 N	Between 101 W and 102 W	_____
12. Between 31 N and 32 N	Between 97 W and 98 W	_____
13. Between 27 N and 28 N	Between 97 W and 98 W	_____
14. Between 31 N and 32 N	Between 100 W and 101 W	_____
15. Between 30 N and 31 N	Between 94 W and 95 W	_____
16. Between 31 N and 32 N	Between 97 W and 98 W	_____
17. Between 27 N and 28 N	Between 97 W and 98 W	_____
18. Between 30 N and 31 N	Between 102 W and 103 W	_____
19. Between 31 N and 32 N	Between 100 W and 101 W	_____
20. Between 30 N and 31 N	Between 94 W and 95 W	_____