

Your task is to draw a map of the world in the space provided below. You will have 2 minutes to complete the task. **DO NOT** reference any map in the room or in your notebook. The task is designed to elicit your understanding and perspective of the world. There is no 'right' or 'wrong' answer.



Once you have finished your drawing, briefly compare your map to a modern day map of the world. Ask yourself the following questions:

- 1) What is in the middle of your map?
- 2) What parts of the world were missing in your drawing?
- 3) What parts of the world were drawn too large in proportion to the rest of the world?
- 4) What parts of the world were drawn too small in proportion to the rest of the world?
- 5) What parts of the world were most accurately drawn?

What do the answers to these questions tell you about your understanding and perspective of the world?

Compare and discuss your map and your answers with at least one other person in class.



We will discussing the continent of Europe a great deal this semester. How much do you know about the continent? Complete the following tasks:

## TASK ONE:

You will have 3-5 minutes to draw the borders of European countries. DO NOT look at maps in your textbook or maps hanging in the room. Do your best.

- What part of you map is most accurate? Why do you think this is the case?
- What part of your map is least accurate? Why do you think this is the case?
- What major countries were you missing?
- Do you think it is important for us to have a geographic understanding of Europe? Explain.
- What are the most significant differences between the geography of Europe and the geography of North America?