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Fantasy World Maps

The Inklings & Worldbuilding

The **Inklings** were a famous group of writers that included J.R.R. Tolkien (*The Lord of the Rings*) and C.S. Lewis (*The Chronicles of Narnia*). Before they wrote their stories, they spent hours building incredible, detailed fantasy worlds. Tolkien even said that his stories grew out of his maps!

Your Task (30-45 minutes):

Design and draw a map for a brand new fantasy world. Make sure to include the following elements on your map:

- A **Compass Rose** (showing North, South, East, West)
- A **Map Legend / Key** (symbols for mountains, forests, cities, etc.)
- Geographic features (rivers, oceans, mountain ranges, dark forests)
- At least 3 named landmarks, cities, or kingdoms



Your Map Canvas

Use the space below to draw your world. Be as creative and detailed as possible!

World Details

1. What is the name of your world or continent?

2. What is the most dangerous location on your map, and why should travelers avoid it?

Answer Key

Your Map Canvas

Answer:

(Students will draw their own original fantasy maps here. Look for a compass rose, a legend, terrain features, and named locations.)

World Details

Answer:

Answers will vary.

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Answers will vary. Look for creative descriptions of hazards, monsters, or extreme terrain.