

• Life on the Mississippi • and its major tributaries

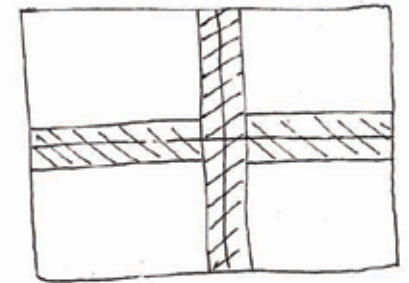
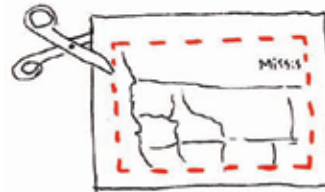
HOW TO PLAY

Cut out the four sections of the map (pages 2-5) along the red dotted line. Piece them together to make a complete map of the United States and tape them together on the back. This is the game board.

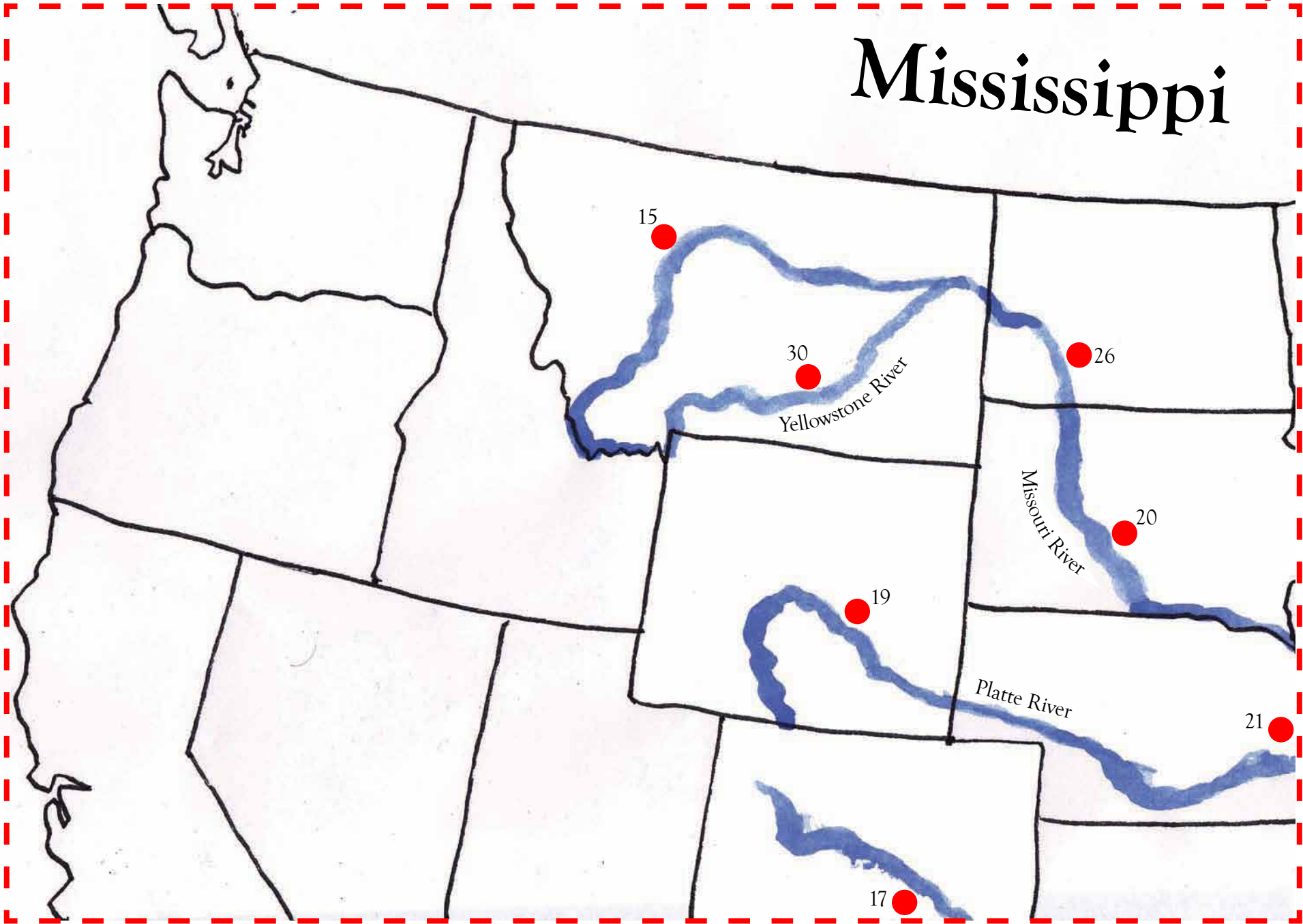
Cut out as many paper boats (page 6) as there will be players. Each player gets a boat.

Each player picks a starting point where one of the rivers begin then travels through the river system, stopping at each red dot (●). Near each red dot there is a number and a corresponding question on the Question Sheet. The player must answer the question correctly before moving on. Label the cities and color in the states after you have answered all the questions in each of them.

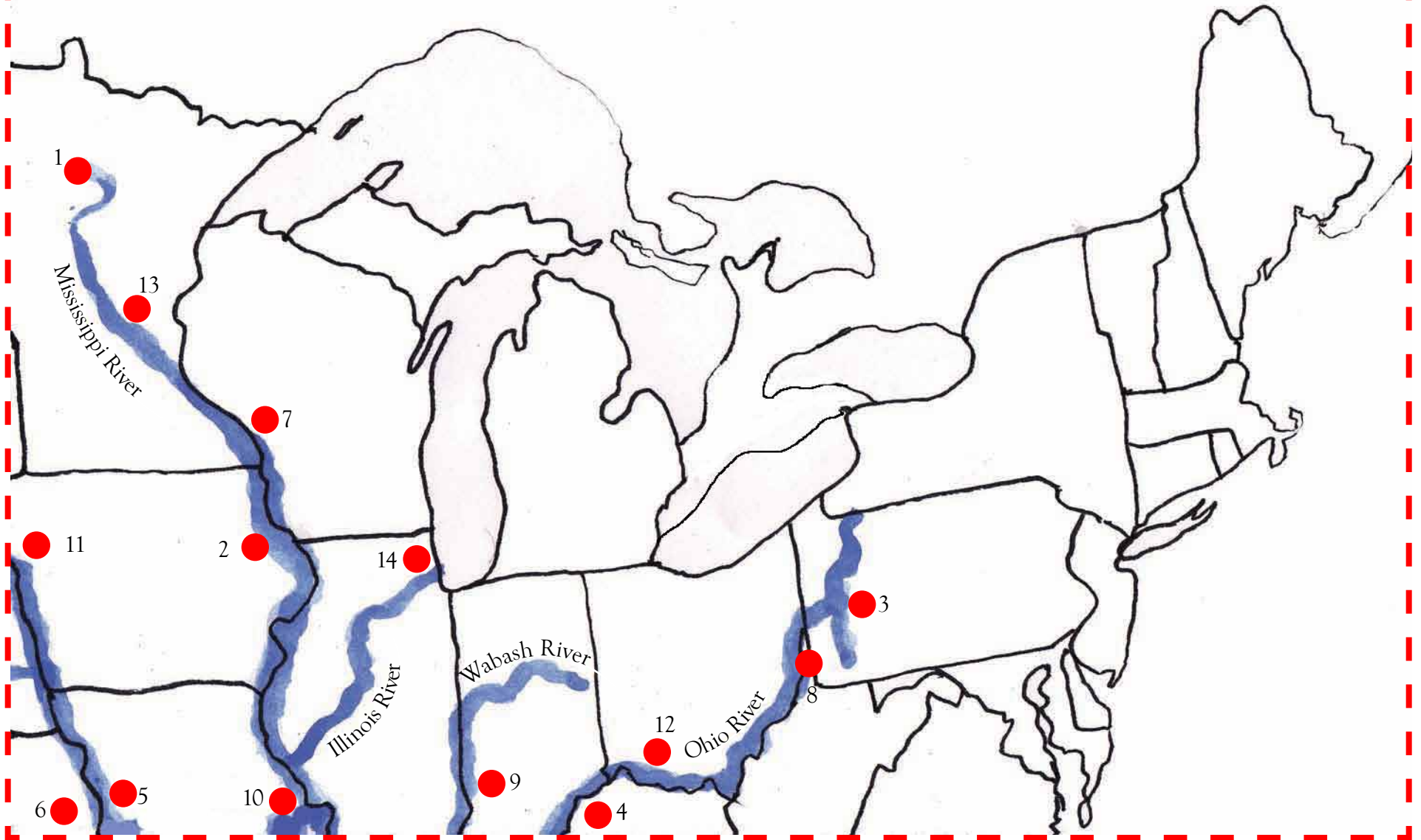
The winner is the one who has answered the most questions correctly after all the cities have been visited on all the rivers.

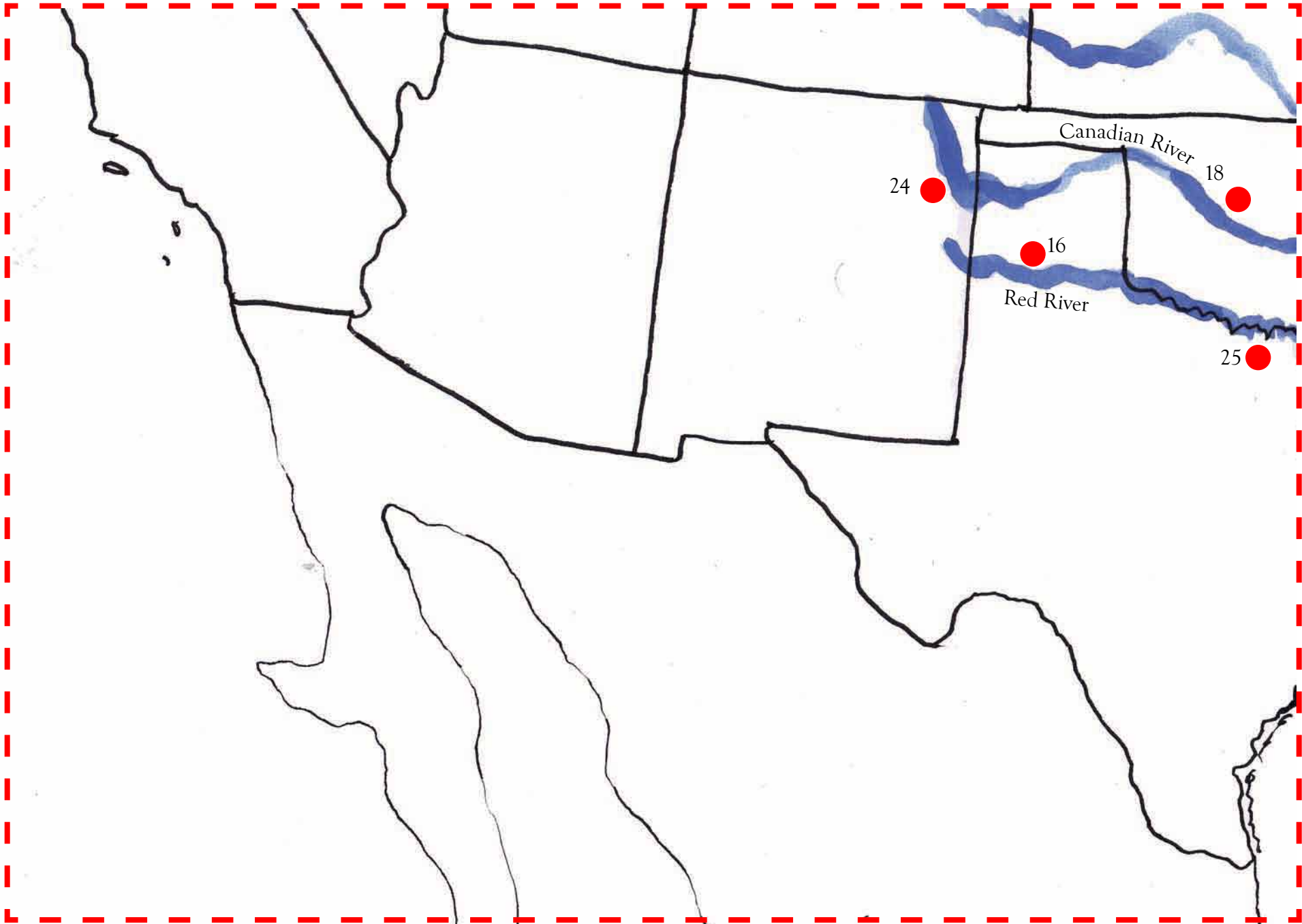


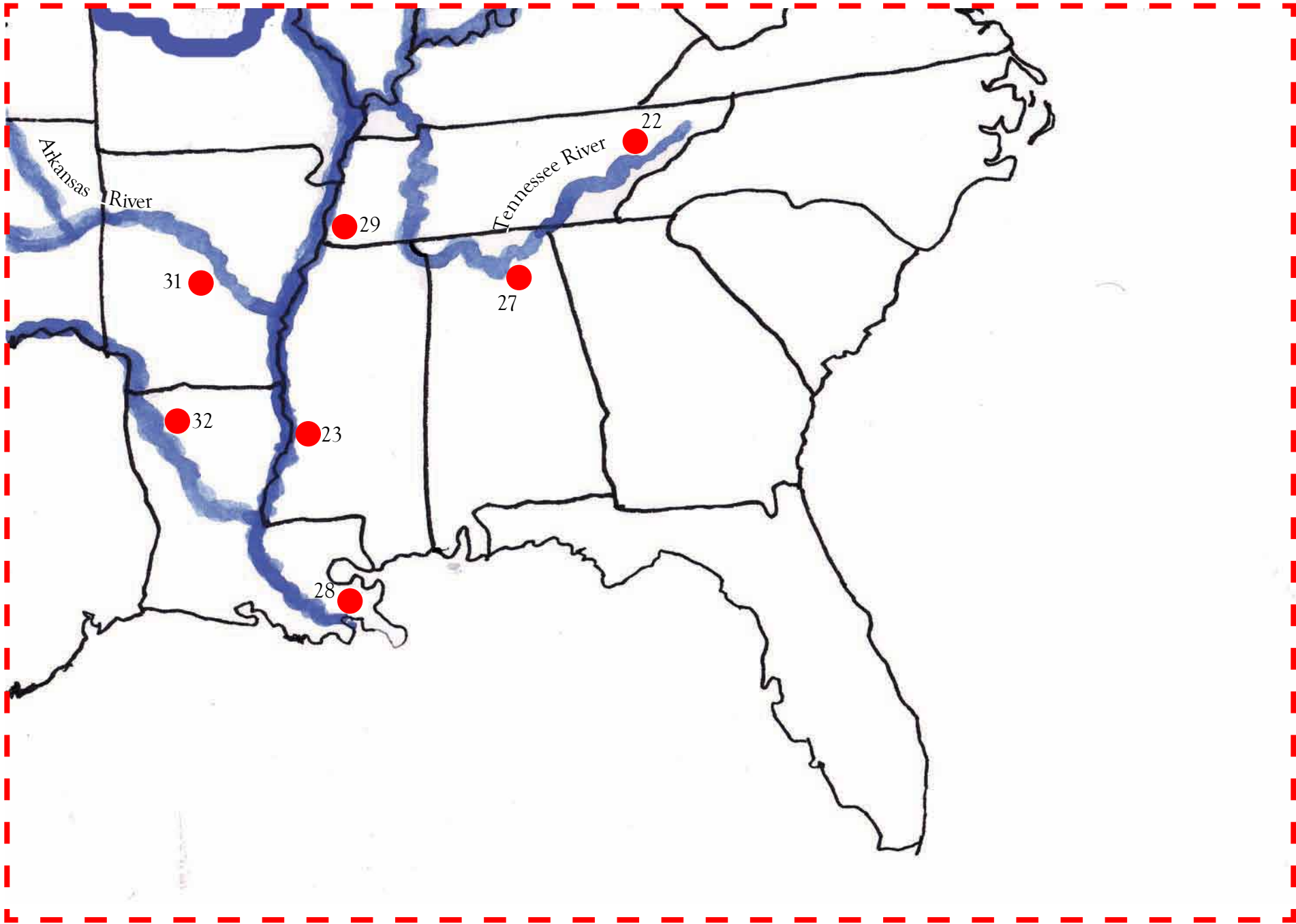
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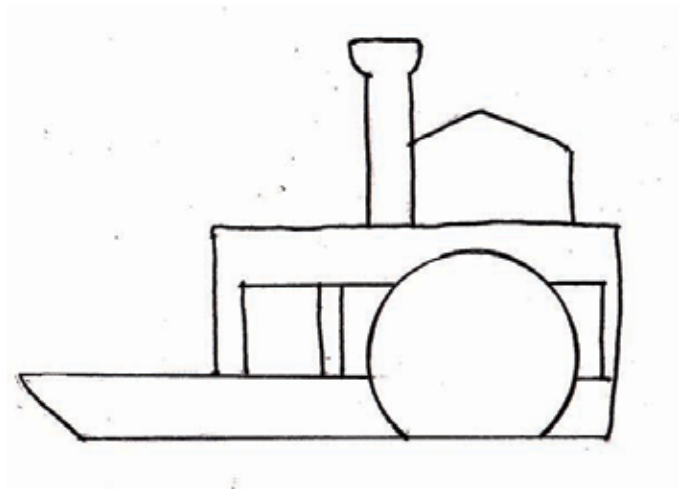
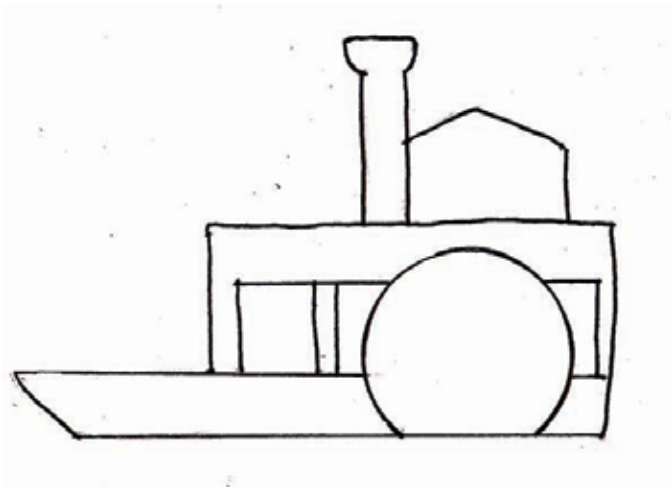
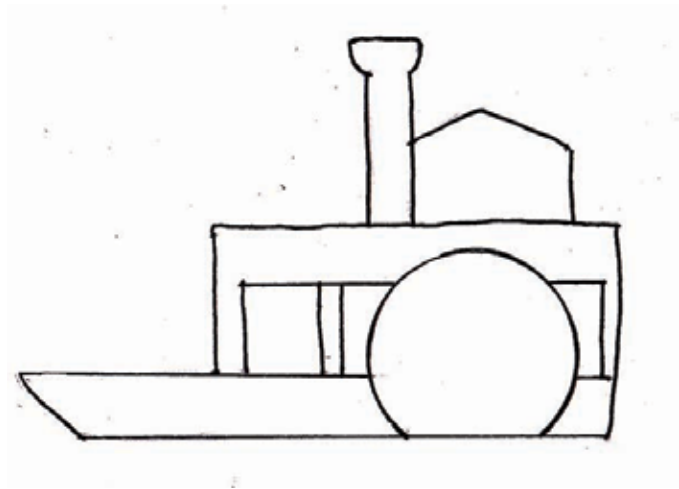
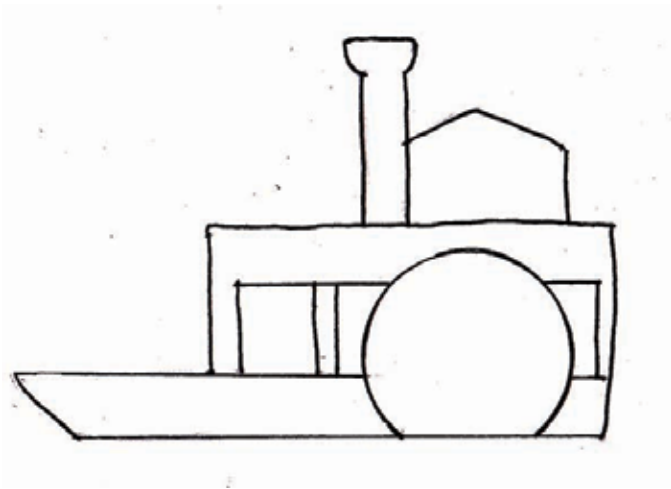


River System









QUESTION SHEET

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1. Lake Itasca. This is where the Mississippi River begins. In some spots it is shallow enough to wade across. What state is it in?
2. Dubuque, IA. Louis Joliet was among the first Europeans to explore the Mississippi and the area that is now Dubuque. He claimed it for his home country. What country did he claim land along the Mississippi for?
3. The Ohio River begins in this city, where two smaller rivers meet. It is the second largest city in Pennsylvania. What is it?
4. This is the home of the Kentucky Derby and is the largest city in Kentucky. What is it?
5. Kansas City, MO. This is the larger of the two Kansas Cities. It is Missouri's largest city. What is the capital of Missouri?
6. Kansas City, KS. This is the smaller of the two Kansas Cities. It is one of the largest cities in Kansas. What is the capital of Kansas?
7. LaCrosse, WI. One of the most prominent geological features in LaCrosse is the Granddad Bluff. What is a bluff in geology?
8. Wheeling, WV. Wheeling was the capital of West Virginia before this city took its place and has remained the capital since. What is the city?
9. Terre Haute, IN. Terre Haute sits along the Wabash River. What river does the Wabash empty in to.
10. At one time this was one of the most important port cities in the country because it sits at the confluence of the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers. It is Missouri's second largest city. What is it?
11. Sioux City, IA. The metropolitan area of Sioux City includes towns and cities in three states. Name these states.
12. This is one of Ohio's largest cities and the largest that sits along the Ohio River. What is it?
13. St. Paul, MN. This city and another make up what is called the Twin Cities. What is the other city?
14. This is the largest city in Illinois. It sits along Lake Michigan and the Illinois River. What is it?
15. Great Falls, MT. Lewis and Clark tracked this area in 1805, while exploring what new purchase?
16. Amarillo, TX. The portion of Texas that Amarillo is in is usually called what?
17. Pueblo, CO. Pueblo has a near desert climate and is 100 miles south of Colorado's capital. What is Colorado's capital?
18. This is the capital of Oklahoma. What is it?
19. Casper. It is also known as the "Oil City" for the many oil refineries in it or near it. What state is it in?
20. This is the capital of South Dakota. What is it?
21. Omaha, NE. This city was important in the early settlement of the west and was a common stopping place for those travelling further west. What century was that in?

QUESTION SHEET 2

22. Knoxville, TN. This city is located near the Appalachian Mountains and lies in the eastern part of what state?
23. Vicksburg, MS. Vicksburg stands on bluffs, high above the water level. It was the location of one of the last and most important Civil War battles. What river is it on?
24. Logan, NM. This is a small city in the New Mexico desert, along the Canadian River. This river starts in the mountains, on the border of the state directly north of New Mexico. What is this state?
25. Denison, TX. This was the birthplace of Dwight Eisenhower. What state lies across the river from it?
26. This is the capital of North Dakota. What is it?
27. Huntsville, AL. This city sits on the southernmost edge of which river?
28. This is the largest city in Louisiana and it is where the Mississippi River empties into the Gulf of Mexico. What city is it?
29. This is the largest city in Tennessee. What is it?
30. Billings. This is the largest city in which state?
31. This is the capital of Arkansas. What is it?
32. Shreveport, LA. What river does this city sit along?

ANSWER SHEET

1. Minnesota
2. France
3. Pittsburgh
4. Louisville
5. Jefferson City
6. Topeka
7. A high, steep bank or cliff by a river or the sea.
8. Charleston
9. Ohio River
10. St. Louis, MO
11. Iowa, South Dakota, Nebraska
12. Cincinnati
13. Minneapolis, MN
14. Chicago
15. Louisiana Purchase
16. Panhandle
17. Denver
18. Oklahoma City
19. Wyoming
20. Pierre
21. 19th
22. Tennessee
23. Mississippi River
24. Colorado
25. Oklahoma
26. Bismarck
27. Tennessee River
28. New Orleans
29. Memphis
30. Montana
31. Little Rock
32. Red River