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about how great they think *What in the
World?* is, and they look forward to each
month's issue coming home... This is a
great resource for a small country school to
explore the global issues that affect us all.

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CANADA'S ARCTIC REGION

Complete this map assignment to better understand the article *Operation NANOOK-NUNALIVUT*.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Obtain the required resources and read all the instructions before starting.
2. Colour your map after all labelling is completed.
3. Print in pencil only first, then go over the printing in black ink.
4. Work carefully and neatly.

Resources Required: pencil, black pen, pencil crayons, ruler, eraser and an atlas.

Part A Locate and label the following territories in CAPITAL letters and shade each as indicated:

Yukon Territory (brown)

Northwest Territories (pink)

Nunavut (orange)

Part B Locate and label the capital of each territory and underline.

Part C Locate and label the following in CAPITAL letters and shade each as indicated:

British Columbia (purple)

Alberta (yellow)

Saskatchewan (green)

Manitoba (brown)

Ontario (grey)

Quebec (yellow)

Alaska [U.S.] (grey)

Greenland [Denmark] (green)

Part D Locate and label the following communities:

Inuvik

Resolute

CFS Alert

Part E Locate and label the following islands:

Baffin Island

Ellesmere Island

Victoria Island

Part F Locate and label the following lakes and shade all fresh water light blue:

Great Slave Lake

Great Bear Lake

Lake Athabasca

Part G Locate and label the following and shade all salt water dark blue:

Arctic Ocean

Beaufort Sea

Hudson Bay

Hudson Strait

Baffin Bay

Part H Locate and label the following two lines of latitude:

60° N

Arctic Circle 66° N

Part I Complete your map with a frame, title, and compass. ★



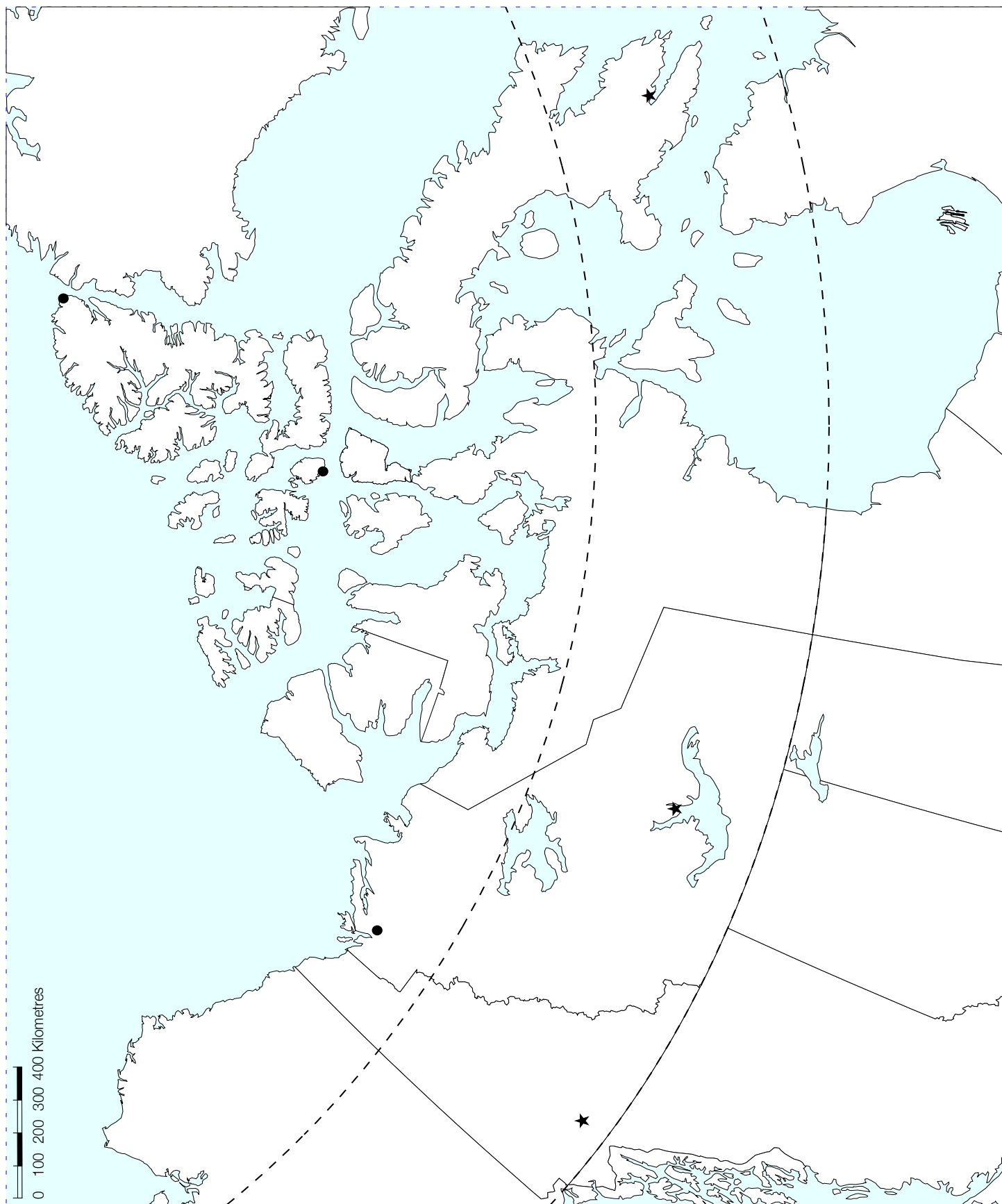
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Northwest Territories

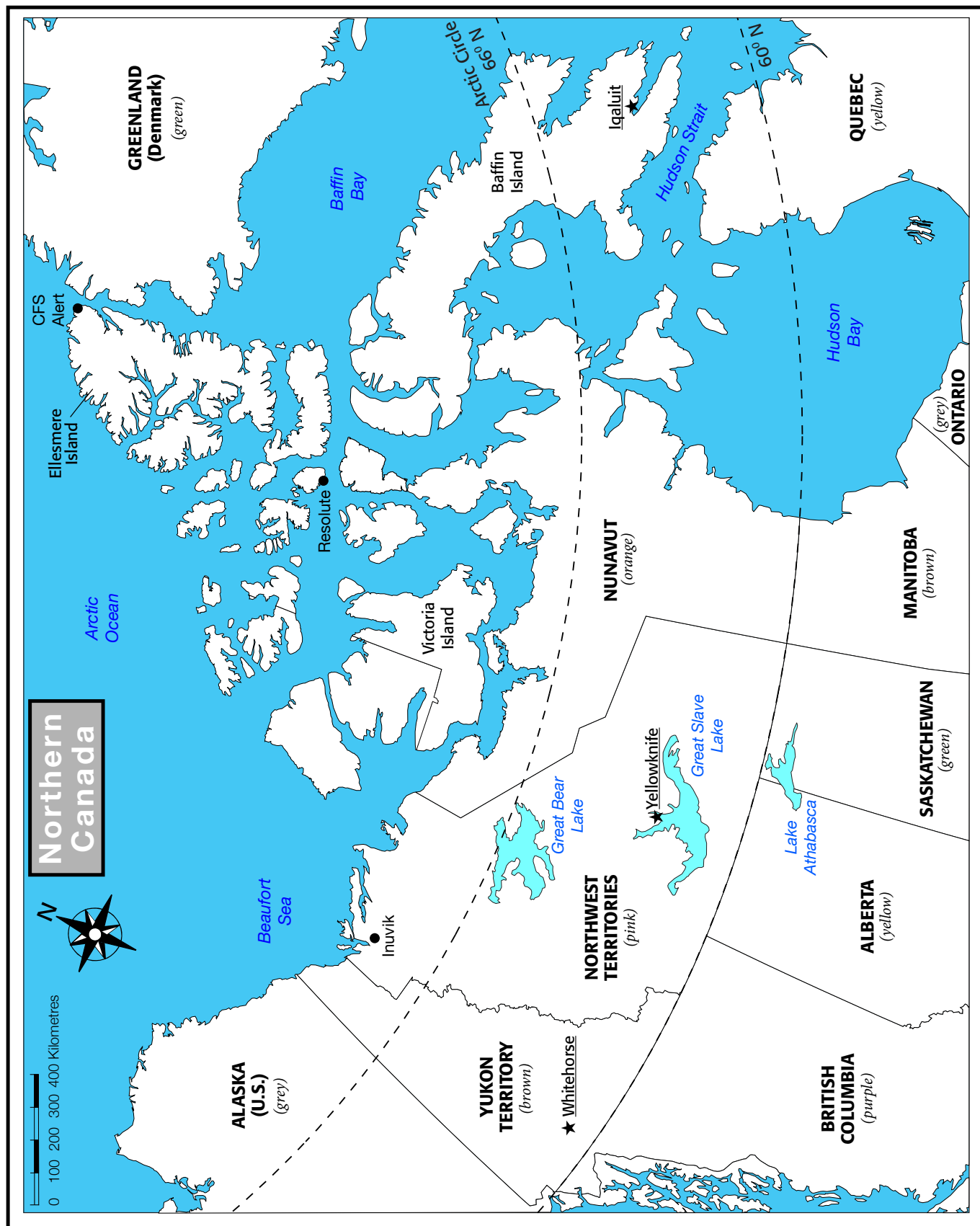


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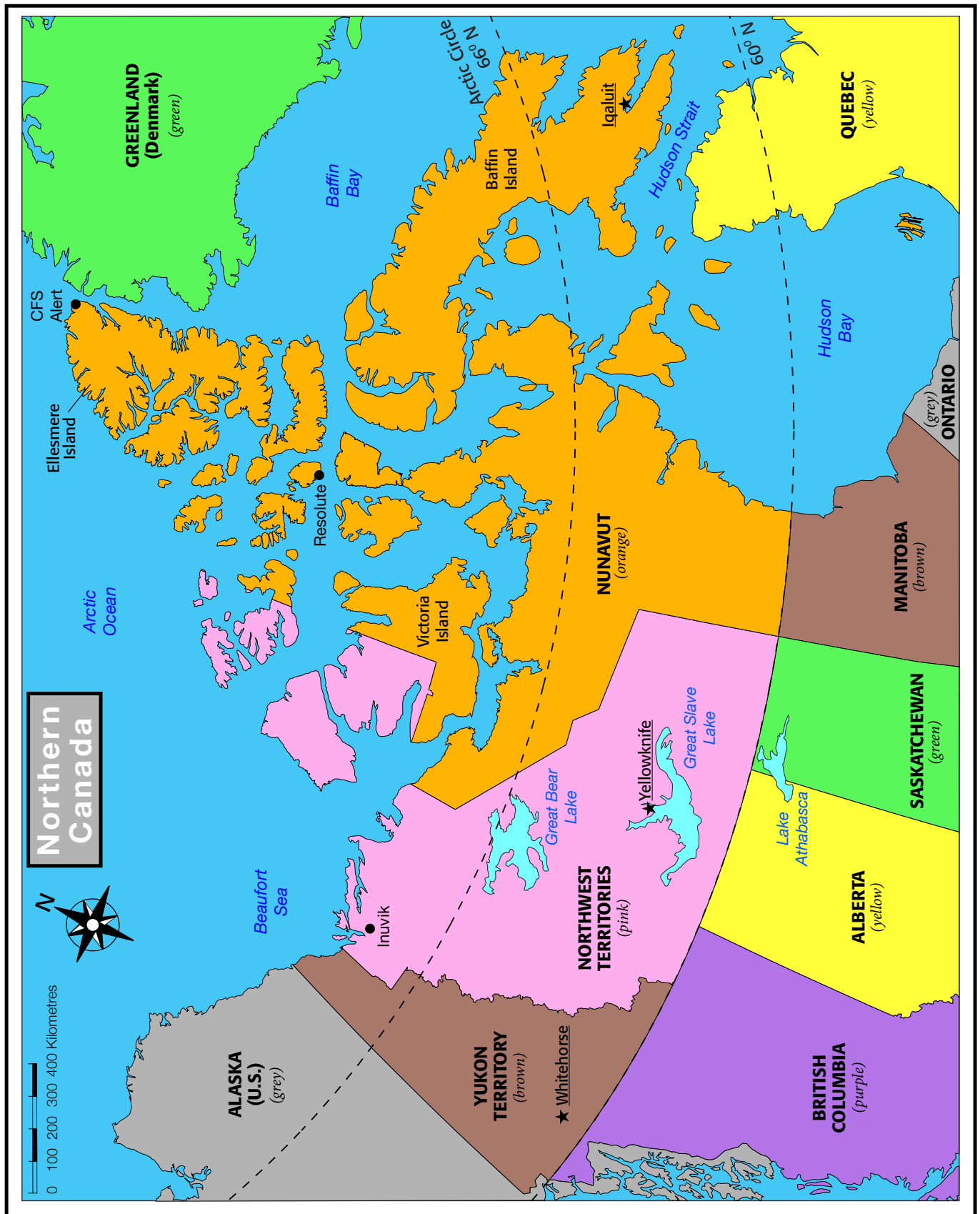


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Complete this map assignment to better understand the article *Manitoba Eyes New Social Media Ban*.

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4. Work carefully and neatly.

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Part A Locate and label the following provinces in CAPITAL letters and shade each as indicated:

Saskatchewan (green) Manitoba (orange)

Part B Locate and label the capital city of each province above and underline each city name.

Part C Locate and label the following province, territories and U.S. states in CAPITAL letters and shade each as indicated:

Ontario (red)	Northwest Territories (pink)
Nunavut (yellow)	Montana (red)
North Dakota (brown)	Minnesota (purple)

Part D Locate and label the following Manitoba cities and towns:

Brandon	Steinbach
Thompson	Portage la Prairie
Winkler	The Pas
Churchill	

Part E Locate and label the following and shade all fresh water light blue:

Churchill River	Nelson River
Saskatchewan River	Assiniboine River
Red River	

Part F Locate and label the following and shade all fresh water light blue:

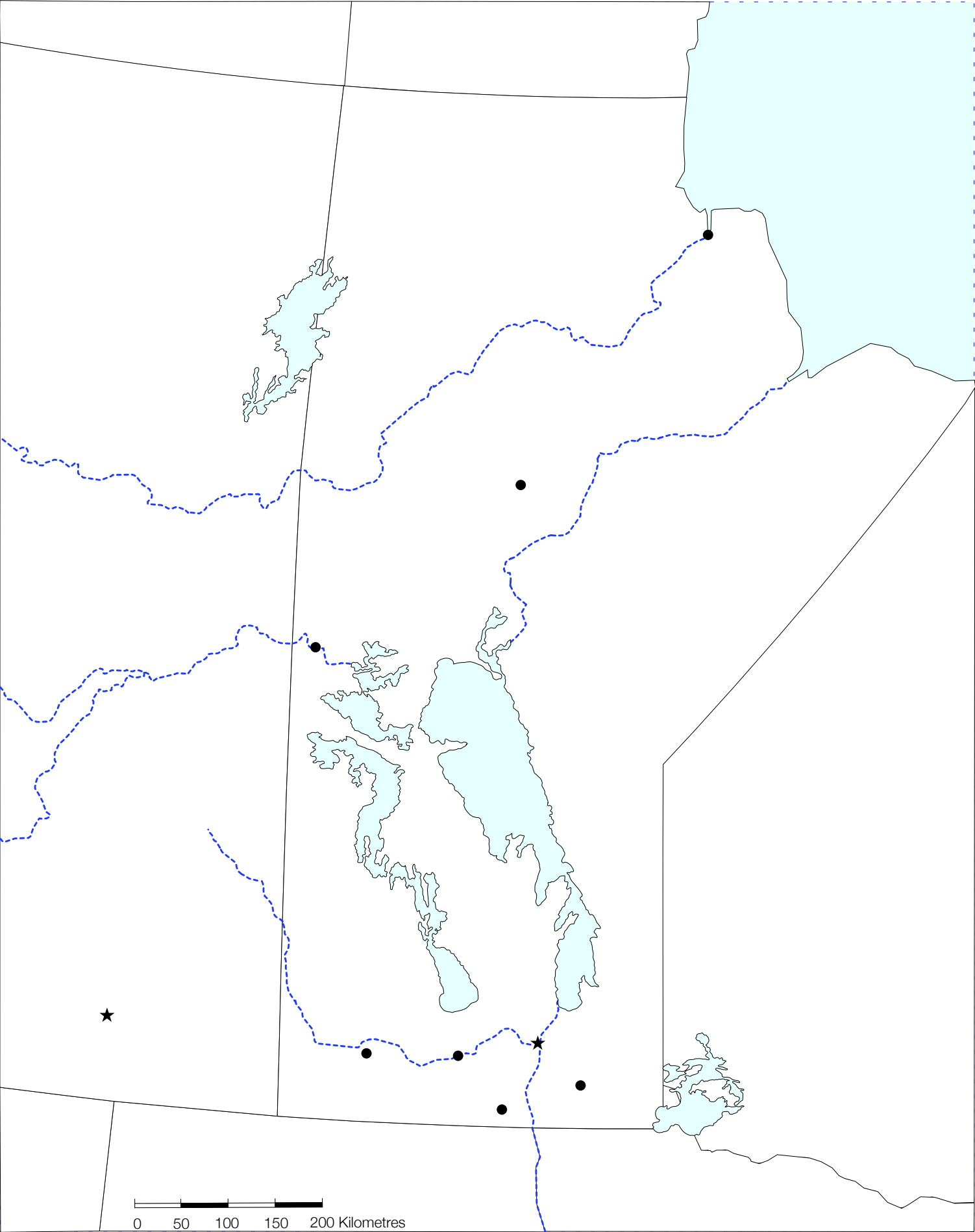
Reindeer Lake	Cedar Lake
Lake Winnipegosis	Lake Manitoba
Lake Winnipeg	Lake of the Woods

Part G Locate and label Hudson Bay and shade all salt water dark blue.

Part H Complete your map with a frame, title and compass. ★

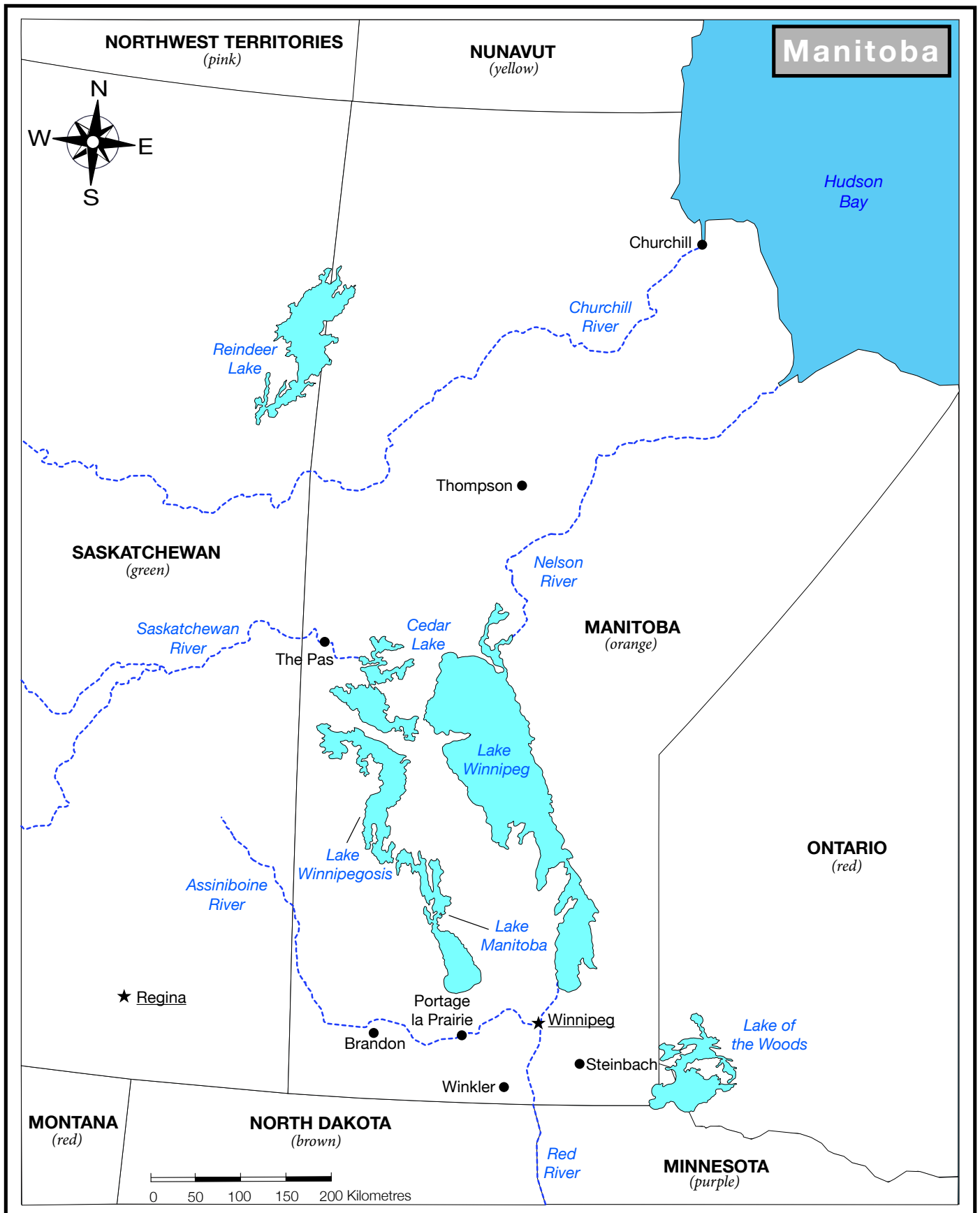


Manitoba



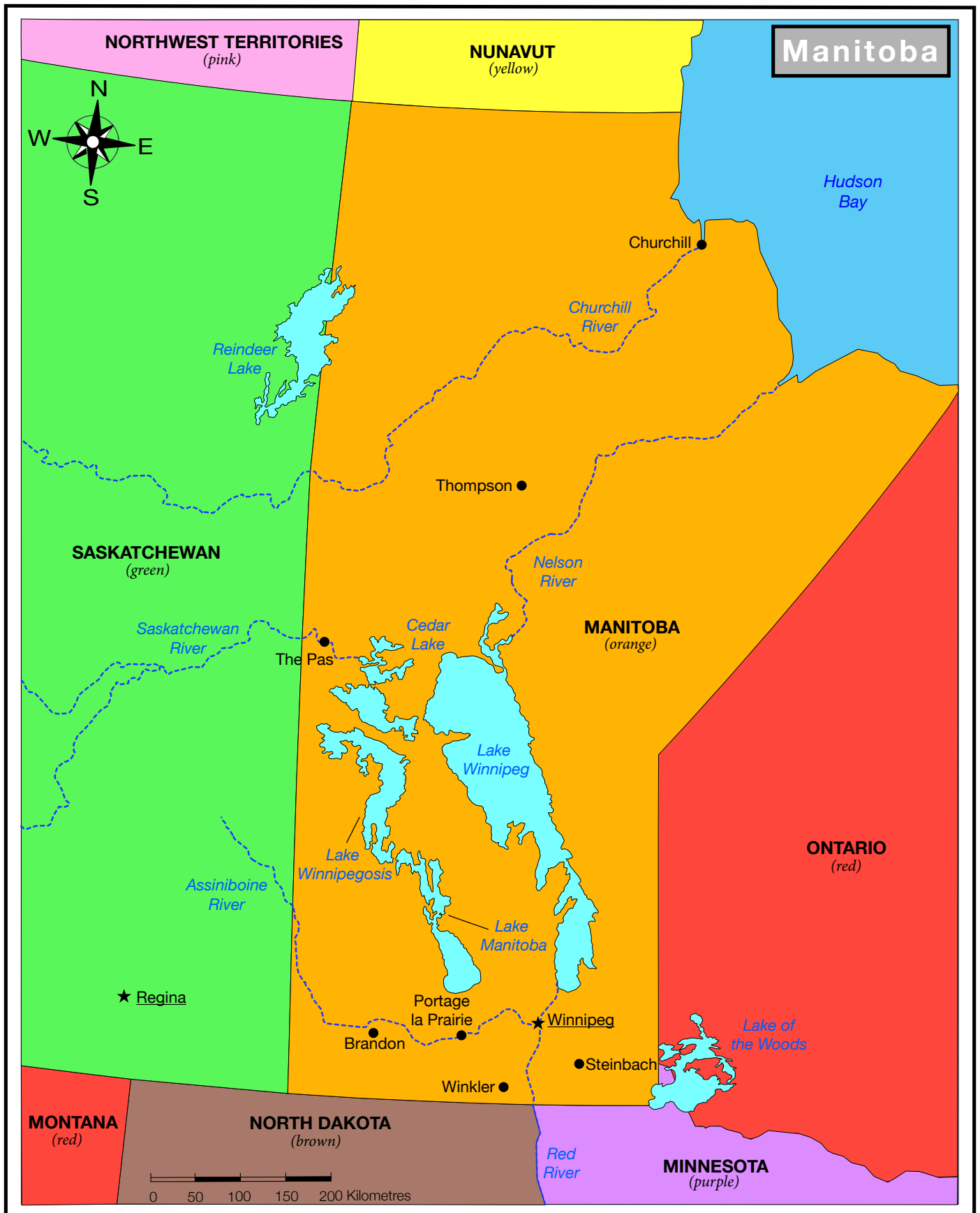


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MAP ASSIGNMENT **B.C. AND ALBERTA**

Complete this map assignment to better understand the article *'The Boss' is Back in Banff*.

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2. Colour your map **after** all labelling is completed.
3. Print in pencil only first, then go over the printing in black ink.
4. Work carefully and neatly.

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Part A Locate and label the following in CAPITAL letters and shade each as indicated:

British Columbia (orange) Alberta (yellow)

Part B Locate and label the capital of each province above and underline each city name.

Part C Locate and label the following province and territories in CAPITAL letters and shade each as indicated:

Saskatchewan (green) Yukon (pink) Northwest Territories (purple)

Part D Locate and label all U.S. territory in CAPITAL letters and shade it grey.

Part E Locate and label the following cities:

Vancouver Kelowna
 Calgary Red Deer

Part F Locate and label Great Slave Lake and Lake Athabasca lakes and shade them light blue:

Part G Draw and label the following rivers and shade them light blue:

Skeena River Peace River Slave River
 Athabasca River Fraser River Columbia River

Part H Locate and label the following and shade all ocean water dark blue:

Pacific Ocean Hecate Strait Queen Charlotte Sound

Part I Locate and label Vancouver Island and Haida Gwaii.

Part J Use the Key to locate and label the following six national parks and shade them dark green:

Wood Buffalo Jasper Banff
 Yoho Glacier Kootenay

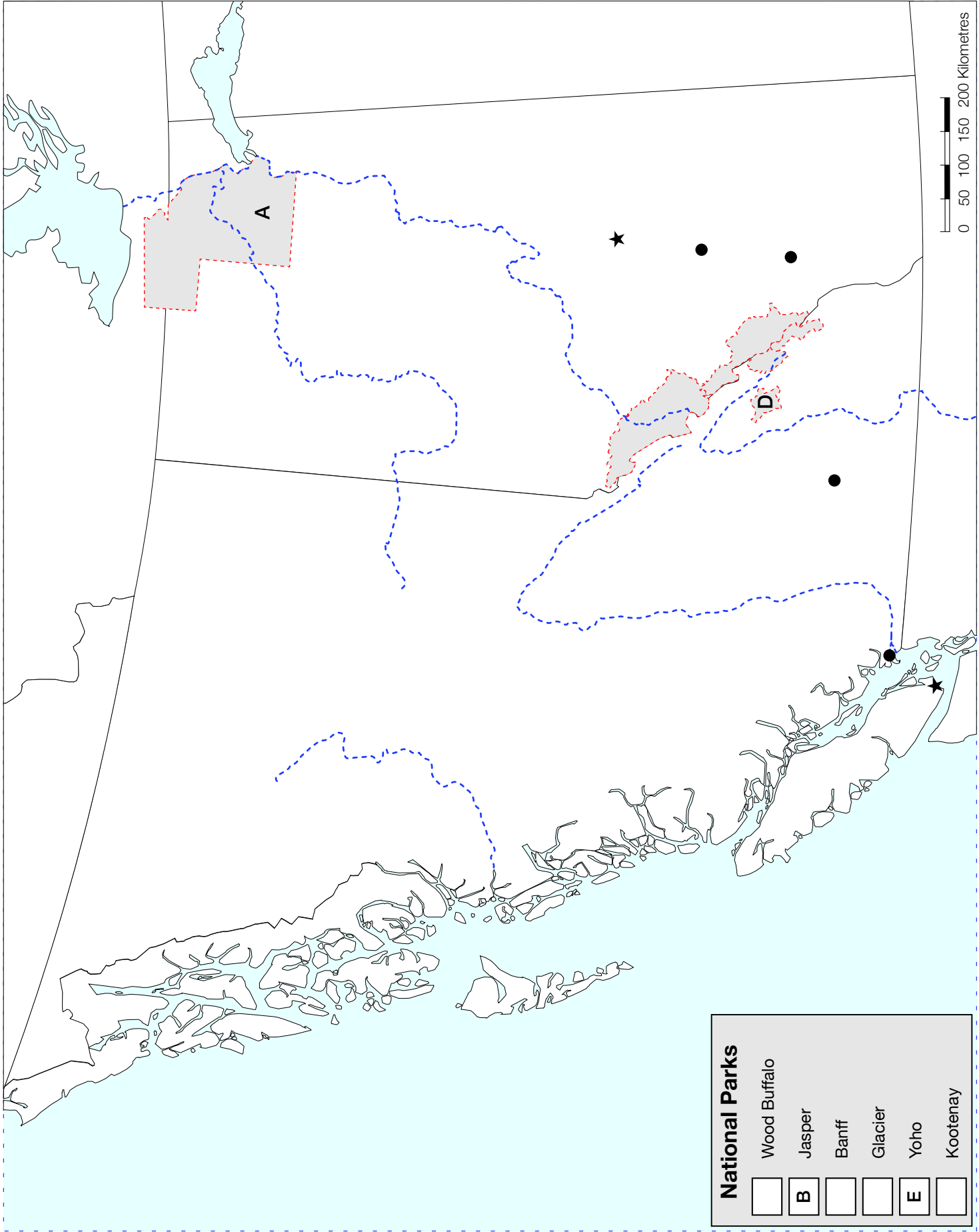
Part K Complete your map with a frame, title and compass. ★



British Columbia

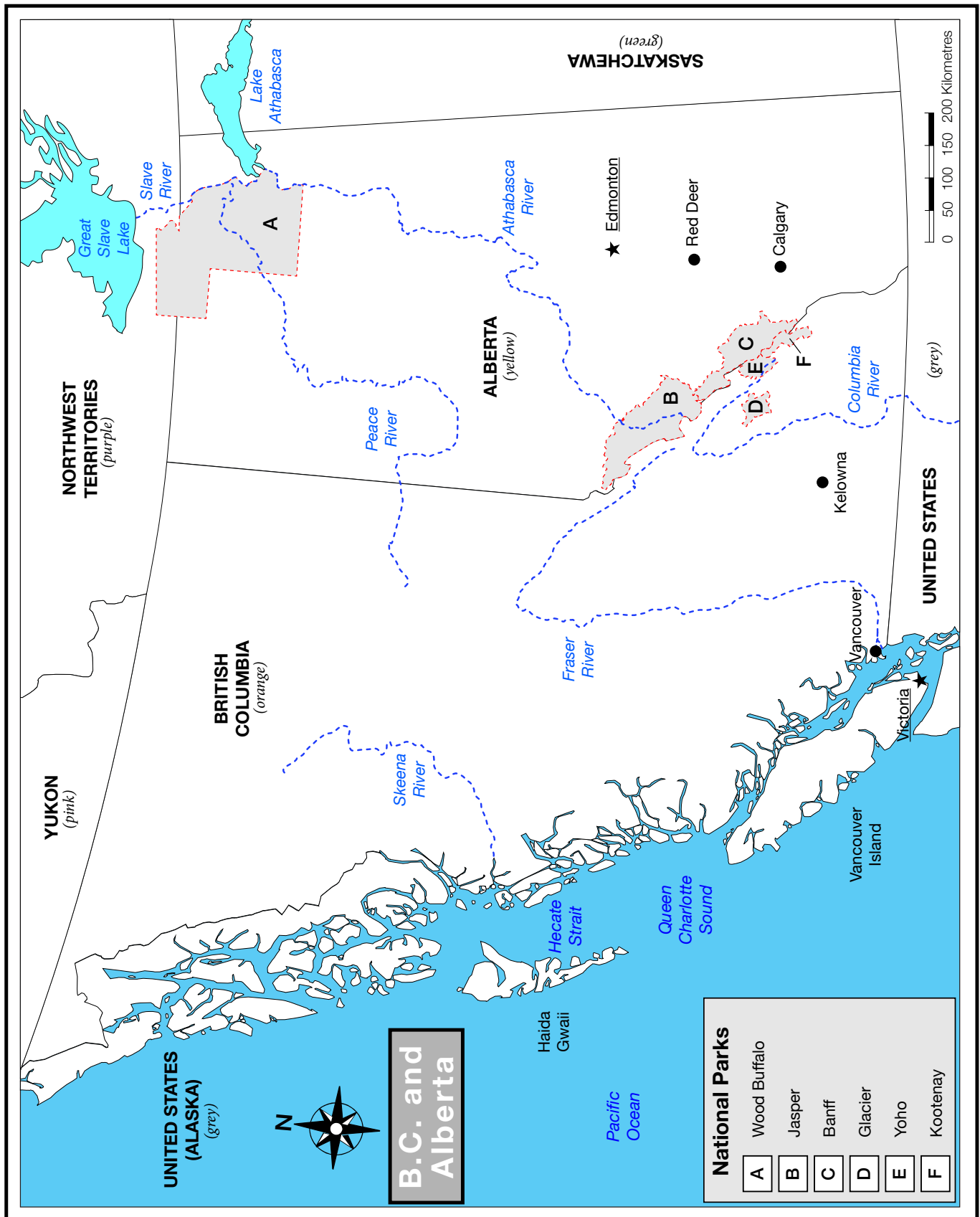


Alberta



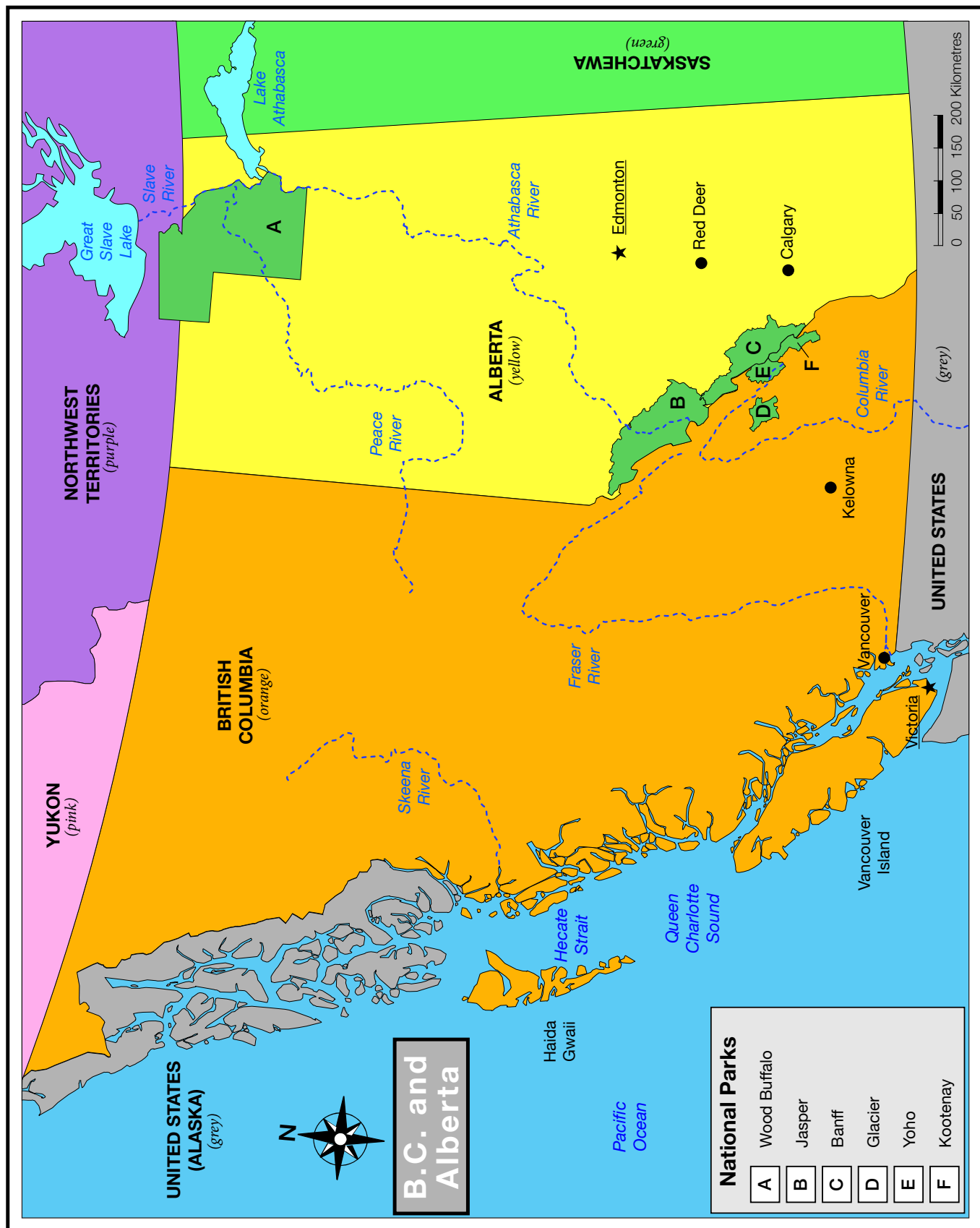


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