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I have had many parents comment to me 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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MAP ASSIGNMENT **FRANCE 1944**

Complete this map assignment to better understand the article *Celebrating Canada's Courage In WWII*.

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 countries in CAPITAL letters and shade each as indicated:

United Kingdom (red)	France (yellow)
Netherlands (orange)	Belgium (purple)

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

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

Germany (brown)	Luxembourg (pink)	Switzerland (red)
Italy (green)	Spain (pink)	Andorra (red)

Part D Locate and label the Normandy region in France.

Part E Locate and label the following cities:

Marseille	Lyon	Toulouse
Antwerp	Calais	Groningen

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

Atlantic Ocean	Bay of Biscay	English Channel
Strait of Dover	North Sea	Mediterranean Sea

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

Seine River	Rhone River	Loire River
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Part H Locate and label the Allied military forces in France from mid 1944 to early 1945:

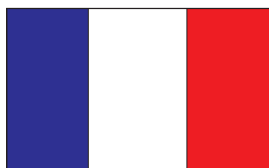
United States (blue)	United Kingdom (red)	Canadian (green)
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Part I Locate and label the Prime Meridian.

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



United Kingdom



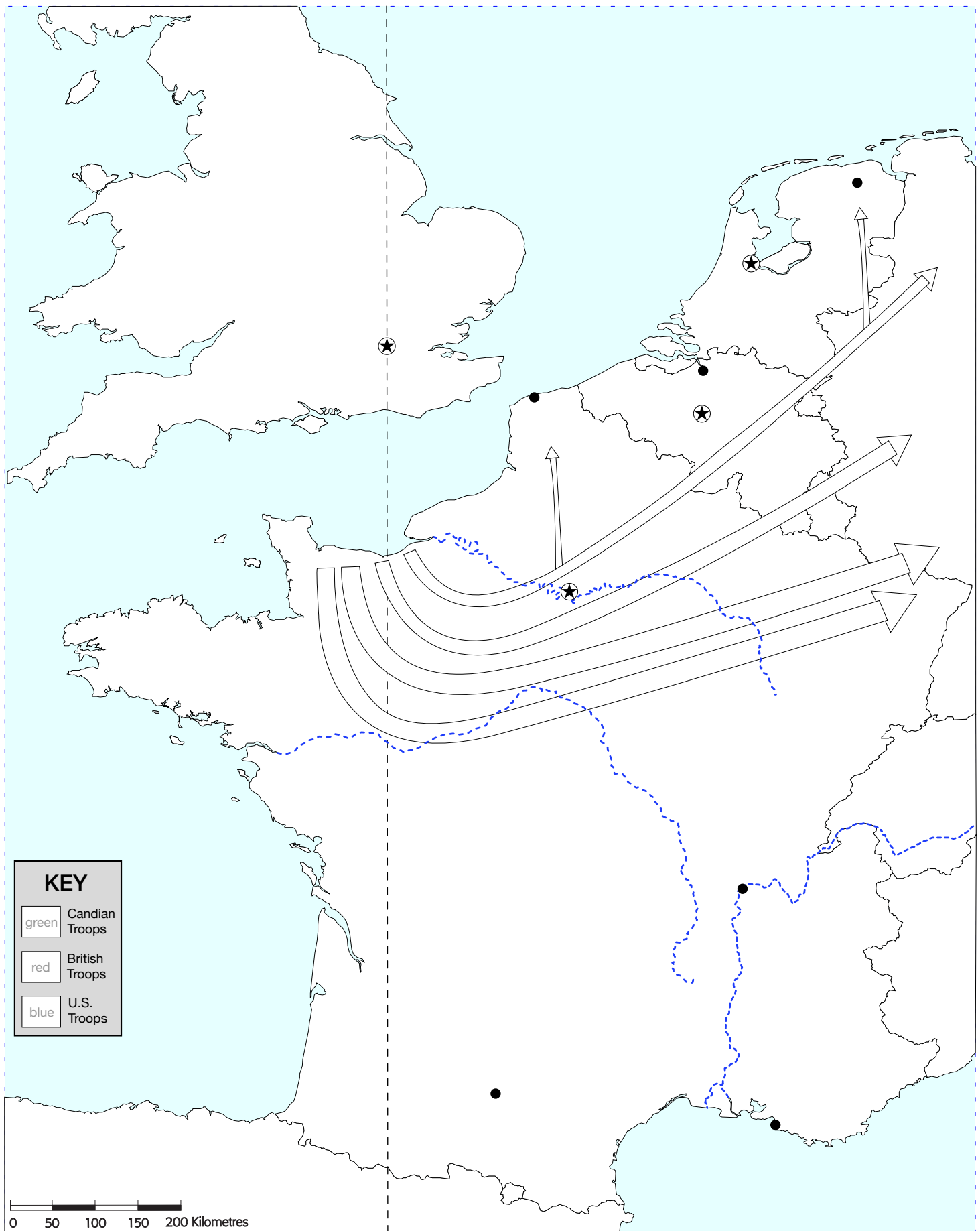
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Netherlands

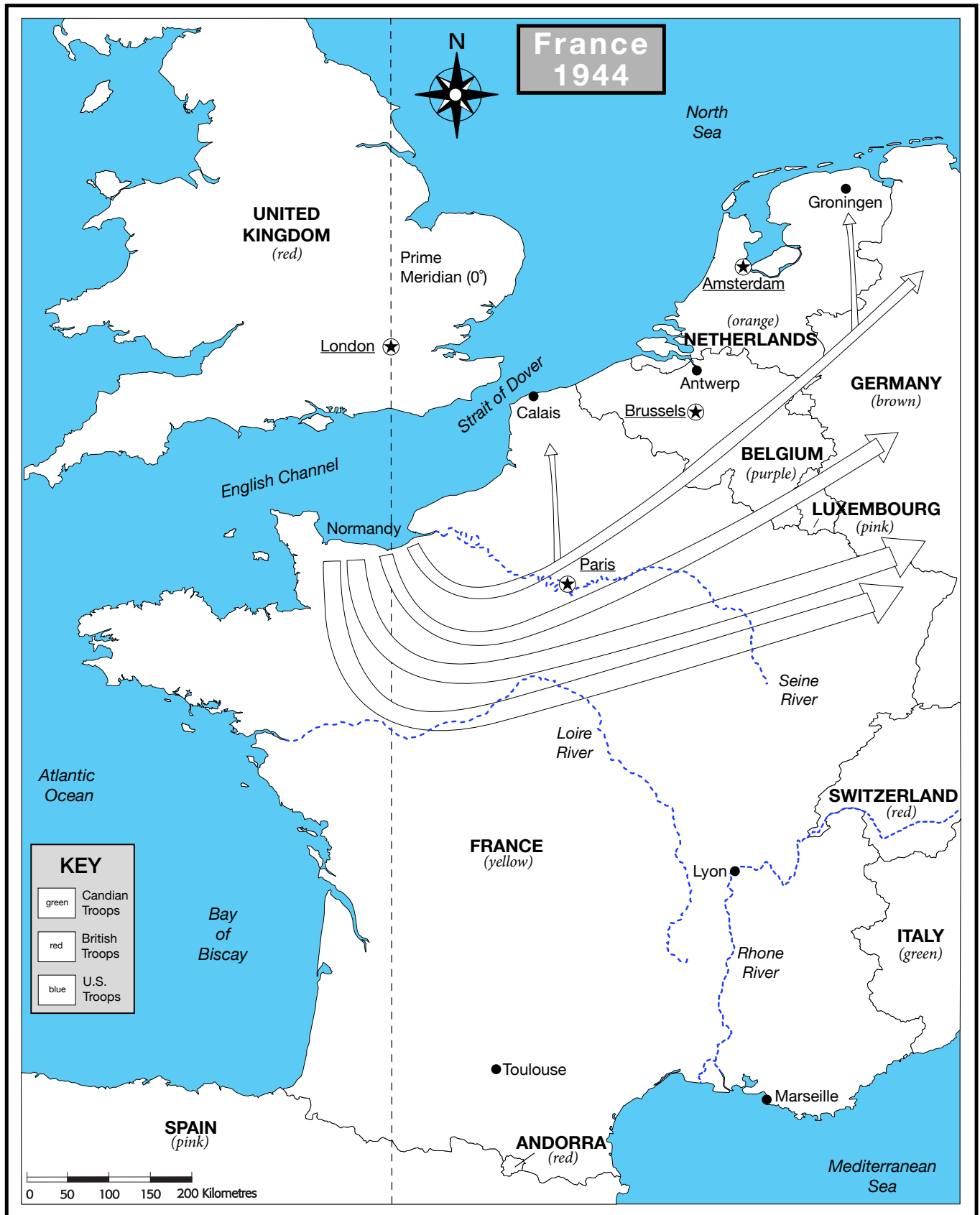


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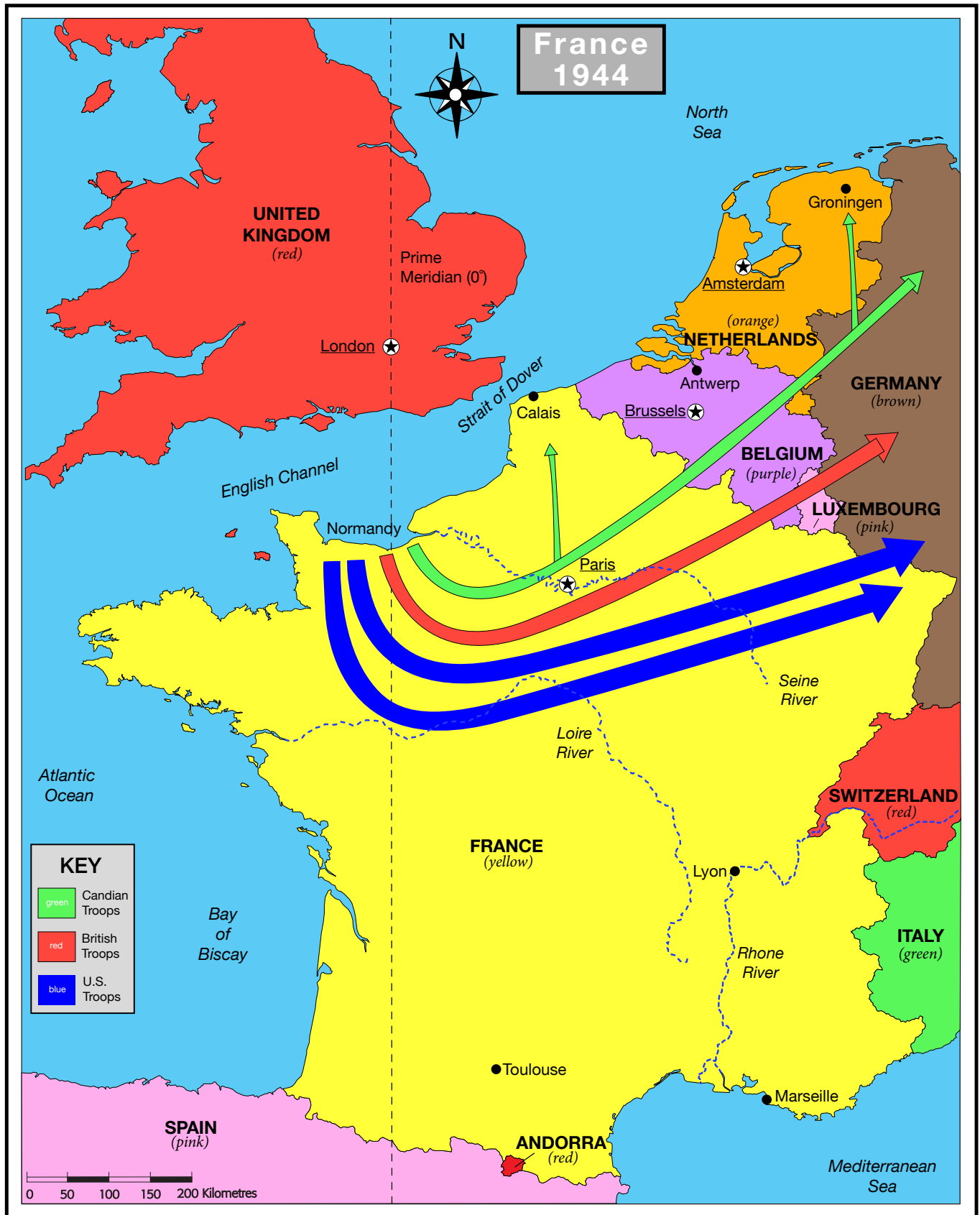


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Complete this map assignment to better understand the article *The Passing of a Beloved Pontiff*.

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

Switzerland (red)	Croatia (purple)	Hungary (pink)
Bosnia and Herzegovina (red)	Italy (green)	Tunisia (orange)

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

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

France (purple)	Germany (brown)	Austria (yellow)
Slovenia (orange)	Malta (yellow)	Algeria (pink)

Part D Locate and label the following cities:

Milan	Naples	Turin
Palermo	Genoa	Bologna

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

Mediterranean Sea	Tyrrhenian Sea	Ligurian Sea
Strait of Sicily	Ionian Sea	Adriatic Sea

Part F Locate and label the following rivers and shade them light blue:

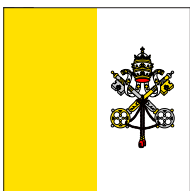
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Part G Locate and label the following islands:

Sicily	Sardinia	Corsica
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Part H Shade all remaining territory grey.

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



Vatican



Italy





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Current Events, Clearly Explained



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- ✓ Comment page for students to respond to the stories
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- ✓ Extension activities



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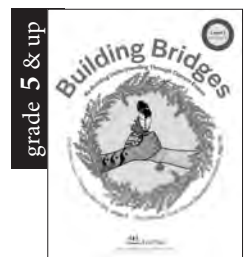
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- ✓ National and international news stories
- ✓ Key vocabulary
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- ✓ Varied assignments that build content-area knowledge and enhance critical thinking
- ✓ Maps and illustrations



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