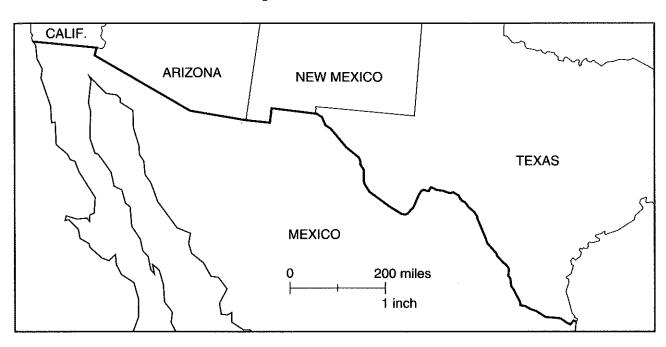
Estimating Curved-Path Distances



Use a ruler, string, compass, paper and pencil, or any other tool.

The map below shows the border between Mexico and the United States. Estimate the length of the border.



2. a. Estimate the lengths of the following rivers. Use the map on pages 386 and 387 of the *Student Reference Book*.

River	Length (miles)
Arkansas (CO, KS, OK, and AR)	
Missouri (MT, ND, SD, NE, IA, KS, and MO)	
Brazos (NM and TX)	
Chattahoochee (GA, AL, FL)	

b.	Explain	how you	found th	e length	of the	Chattahoochee	River.
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LESSON 4.3

A Trip through the Panama Canal



The Panama Canal crosses the country of Panama near its capital city, Panama City. The canal connects the Atlantic Ocean and the Pacific Ocean.

Pretend that you will travel by ship from New York, through the Panama Canal, to Los Angeles.

- 1. Use the map below to decide on a route your ship will take. Then use a pencil to draw this route on the map.
- 2. Estimate the length of the route you have chosen. Use a ruler, string, compass, paper and pencil, or any other tool.
- 3. How much longer is your route than the straight-line distance from New York to Los Angeles?

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