Explanation of TOADS Acronym

**T** = Title: What is the title (name) of the map?

**O** = Orientation: Helps you find north, south, east, and west on the map? Does the map have a compass rose?

**A** = Author: Who made the map?

**D** = Date: What is the date of the map? When was it made?

**S** = Scale: Does the map have a scale marked? What is it? Remember, scale is how you can measure how far one place is from another.
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Can you find these on a map?
TOADS Student Dictionary Pages Directions

1. Fold (and cut) two regular 8 X 11 sheet of paper into half (hamburger fold)
   
   Fold on line, then cut.

2. Place each paper on top of each other and fold into small booklets. (dictionaries)

3. Label the front page with student’s name and the title TOADS Dictionary.

4. Label each page with one of the words from the TOADS acronym; Title, Orientation, Author, Date, and Scale. Leave room on the rest of each page for the students to complete the information.
TOADS Test

Using the map provided, find the information required in TOADS.

**TITLE:** Write the title (or name) of the map below.

**ORIENTATION:** Does the map have a compass rose? YES or NO
If it does, draw the compass rose below.

**AUTHOR:** Who created this map? Write the author’s name below.

**DATE:** Find the map’s date and write it below.

**SCALE:** Does the map have a scale? YES or NO
Draw the scale below.