## **GLOSSARY**

**Capital:** A city where the government of a state or country is located.

Cartographer: A person who makes maps.

**Equator:** An imaginary line that circles the middle of the earth between the North and South Poles.

**Globe:** A representation of the earth in the shape of a ball.

**Grid:** A pattern of lines on a map usually running north-south and east-west that is used for giving positions.

**Latitude:** Imaginary lines on the earth that run east and west, parallel to the equator.

**Legend:** The part of a map that lists and explains the symbols, colors, and scale used for the map.

**Longitude:** Imaginary lines on the earth that run north and south and meet at the poles.

**Map:** A flat representation of the earth or a part of the earth that shows the relative position of places.

**Scale:** The relationship between the actual size of an area and its size on a map.

**Symbol:** A sign or drawing that stands for something else.

**Topographical map:** A map that shows the shape and changing elevation of the land's surface.