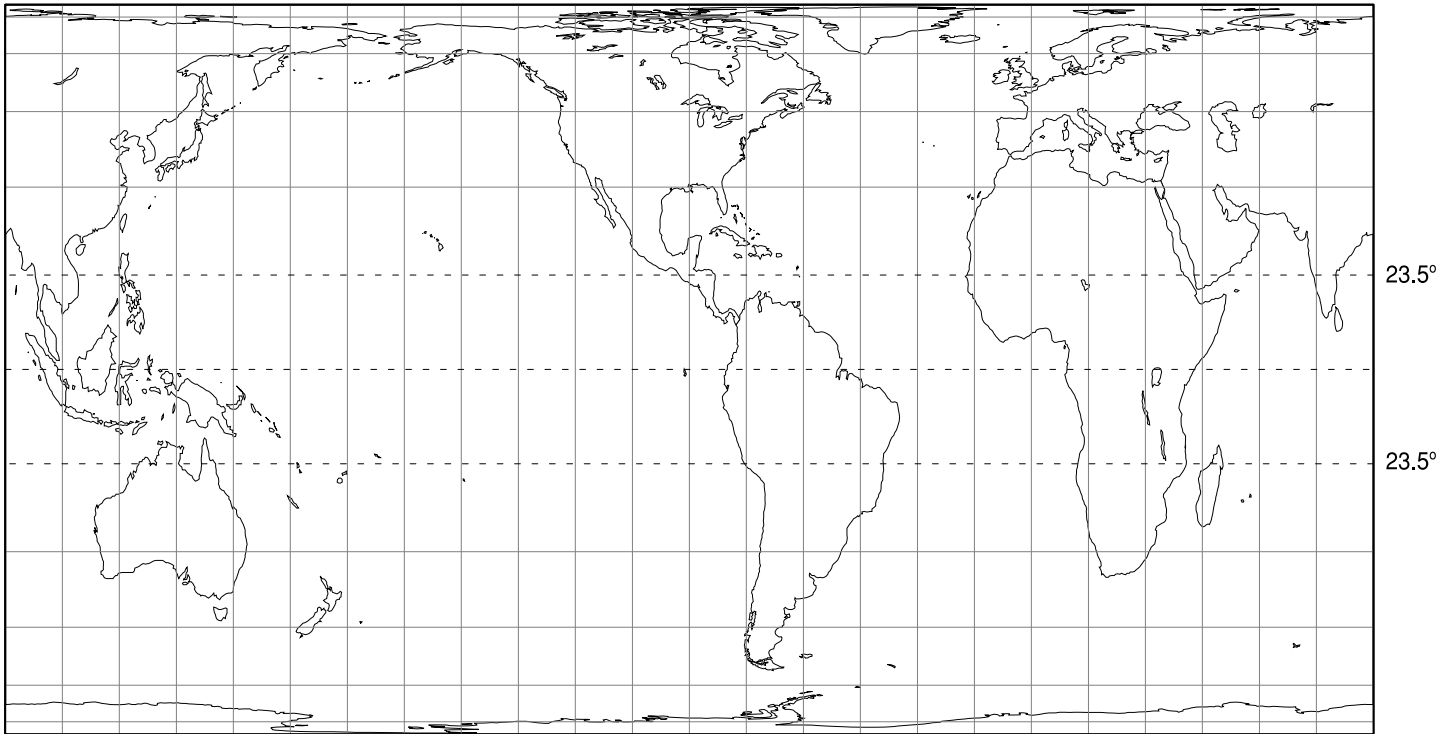


# Coral Reefs Worksheet

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**Directions:** Complete the following steps:

1. Label the world's continents, oceans and seas.
2. The equator is an imaginary line that circles the middle of the earth. Color it red.
3. The Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn are at  $23.5^{\circ}$  north and  $23.5^{\circ}$  south. These imaginary lines mark the northern and southern boundaries of the tropics. Color them blue.
4. Where would you expect most of the world's coral reefs to be found? Why?
5. The Great Barrier Reef is located off the northeast coast of Australia. It is the largest coral reef on earth, more than 1200 miles long. That's the distance between Dallas, Texas and Baltimore, Maryland! Mark the location of the Great Barrier Reef with a green X .
6. Locate the West Indies Islands. They separate the Atlantic Ocean from the Caribbean Sea. Color them purple. South Caicos Island is in the West Indies.
7. Draw a yellow star on your community. Could coral reefs live here? Why or why not?
8. Name three things corals need for survival:  
1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Challenge Question:

The largest reef in the Caribbean is the barrier reef off of Belize. Mark its location with an orange star.