

Week 1: Lecture Activity

Defining the Map

Introduction

By default, maps are political and powerful objects. As a result, the very definition of a map matters.

Methods

To receive full credit for this assignment, reply to the Canvas discussion post with a definition of a map. This can be in your own words or you can use definitions that you find online. If you cite someone else's definition, be sure to give recognition.

In class, introduce your definition to a small group (2-3 peers) and answer/discuss the following questions:

1. How did you define a map? Who or what did you draw on?
2. How are your definitions similar? Are there any shared *words* or *phrases*?
3. How are your definitions different? Are there any words that are completely juxtaposed?
4. Do your definitions fall more in line with Robinson or Harley? Why or why not?

Outcome

Take a few notes while you discuss the prompts above. One member of your group needs to submit a digital copy (Word or PDF) to Canvas. Make sure the names of your entire group are on the document.