



History 6 & 7 Summer Assignment 2021-2022 School Year

Directions: Complete the attached assignment.

Incoming 6th/7th Graders: Global Geography

This year in History, you will be studying the geography of the world! Geography is the study of the physical features of the Earth, and how animals/humans interact with the Earth. A huge part of geography is understanding and being able to read maps. Maps can tell us a lot about a given area. For your summer break assignment, you will be analyzing different types of maps that focus on the state of New York.

Types of Maps

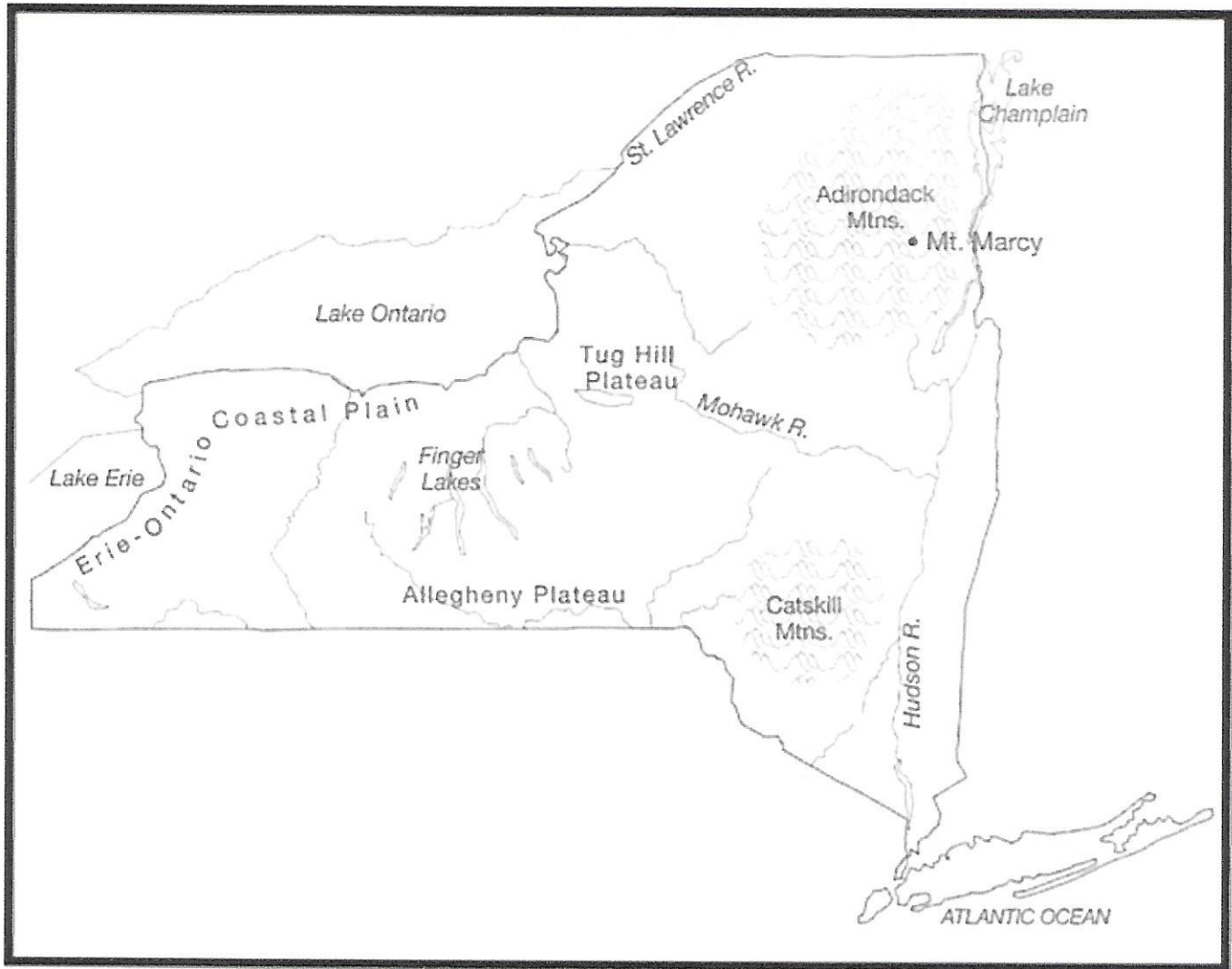
All maps can be classified into two categories: General Purpose (Reference) Maps and Thematic Maps.

<u>General Purpose (Reference) Maps</u>	<u>Thematic Maps</u>
General Purpose Maps, or Reference Maps, show human-made (state/town boundaries, roads, etc) or natural features (mountains, rivers, etc.) of a given area. These can be, but are not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Political Maps● Physical Maps● Road Maps● Topographic maps● Time zone maps	Thematic Maps show specific maps about literally any topic you can think of. From plants to favorite foods, anything can be created into a thematic map with enough data. The possibilities are limitless!

Objective

There are two parts to this assignment. The first part is to analyze seven different maps and answer the corresponding questions. Be sure to answer the questions in complete sentences. The second part of this assignment is to complete the writing task using the information gained from the maps.

Map 1: A physical map of New York State.



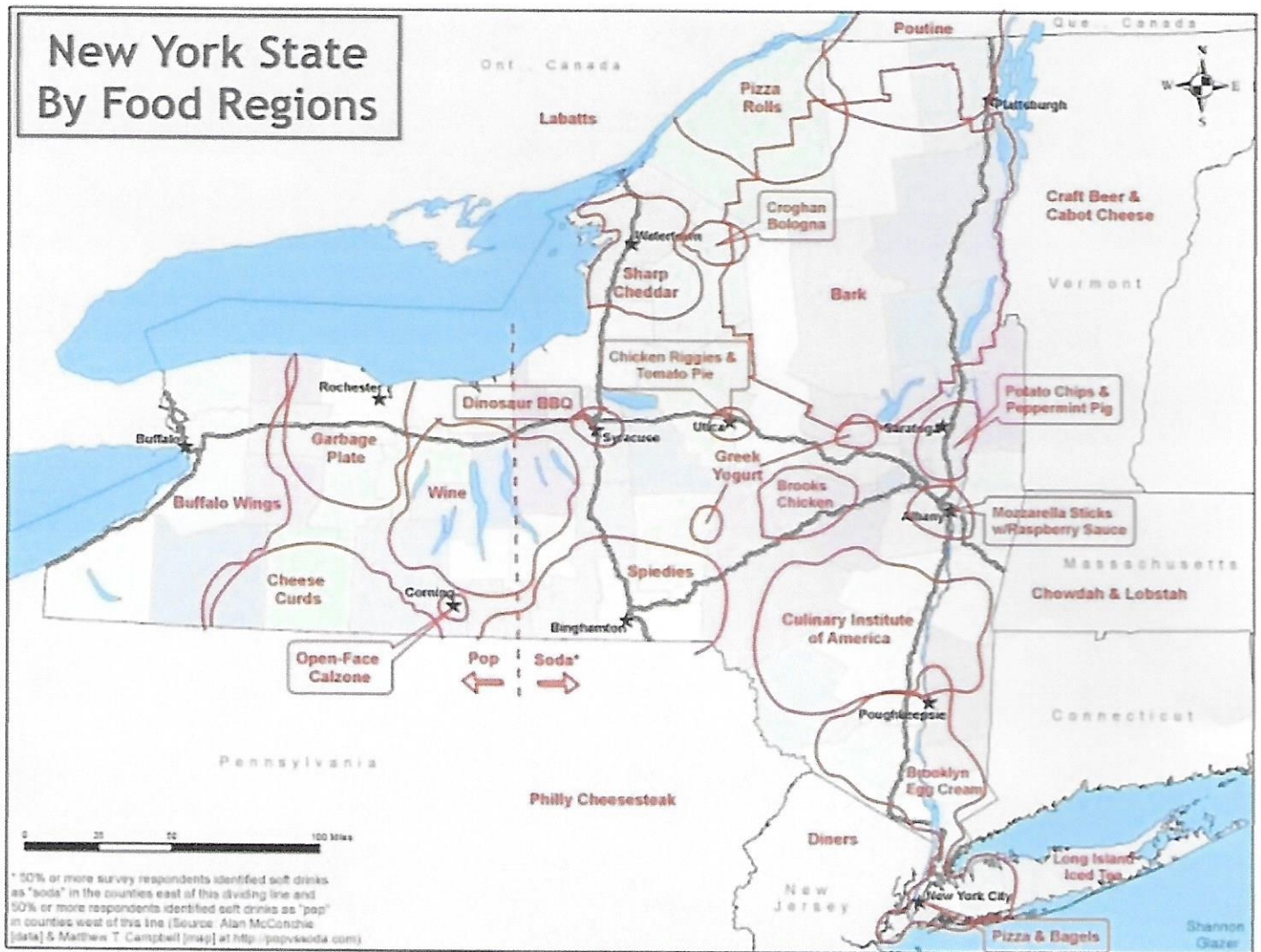
1. Name the two Mountain Ranges in New York state?

ANSWER: _____

2. If you were going to plan the roads in New York State, how would this map be helpful?

ANSWER: _____

Map 2: A map created by Shannon Glazer to illustrate regional food favorites in New York State.



1. What is the favorite food of people living in Watertown?

ANSWER: _____

2. Which three cities in New York State refer to carbonated beverages as "pop"?

ANSWER: _____

5) Compare Document 1 and Document 2 and then explain why the map's creator thinks the "favorite" food label for The Adirondack Mountains is funny?

ANSWER: _____

Map 3: A map of the products of New York State and where those products are made.



1. How many areas of manufacturing are there in New York State?

ANSWER: _____

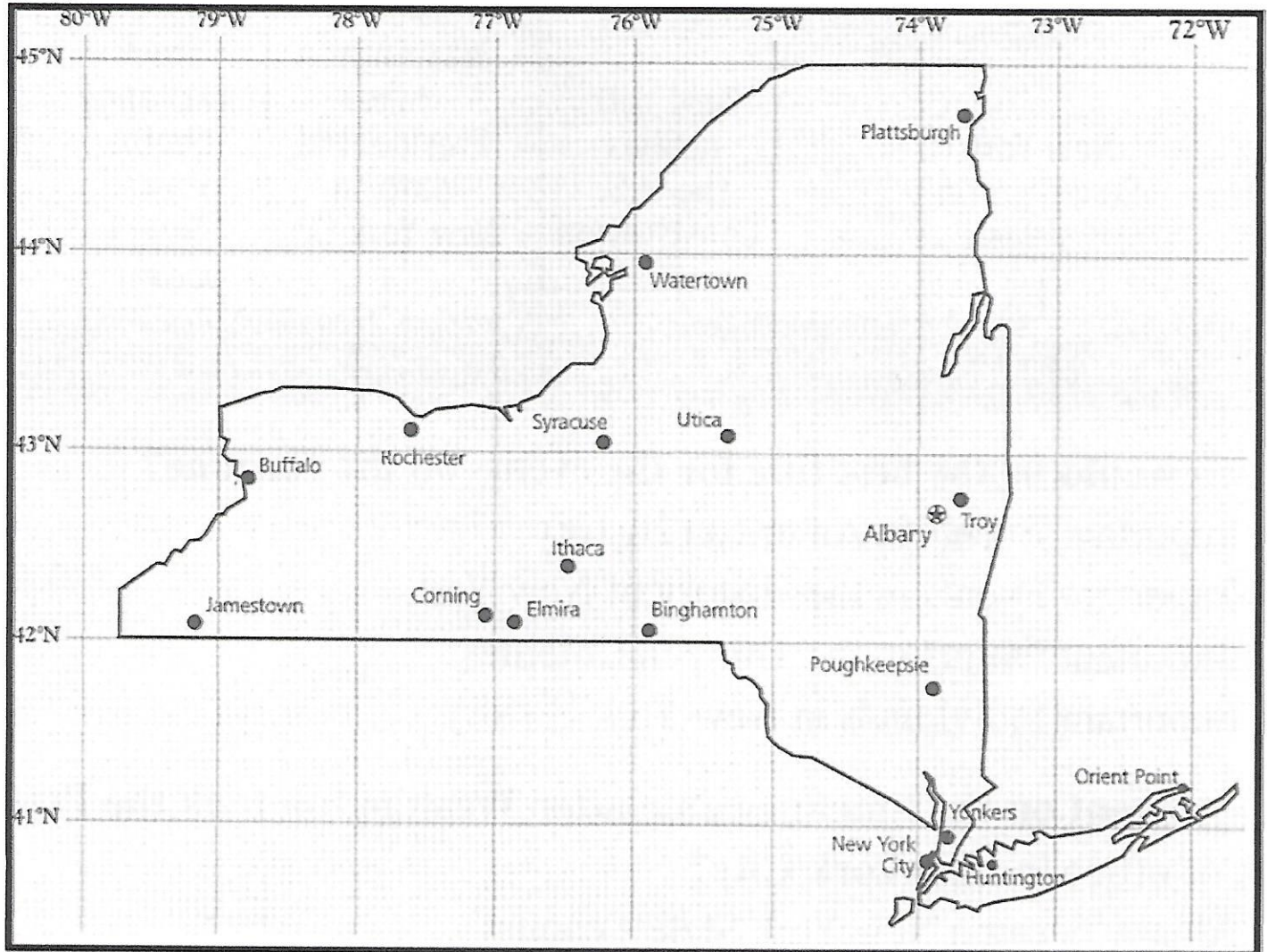
2. What product is produced the most north (above) the black line?

ANSWER: _____

3. Would it be fair to say New York State 's products are mostly manufactured? Why or why not?

ANSWER: _____

Map 4: A map of New York State with Longitude and Latitude labeled.



1. Which city is the capital of New York State? How do you know this?

ANSWER: _____

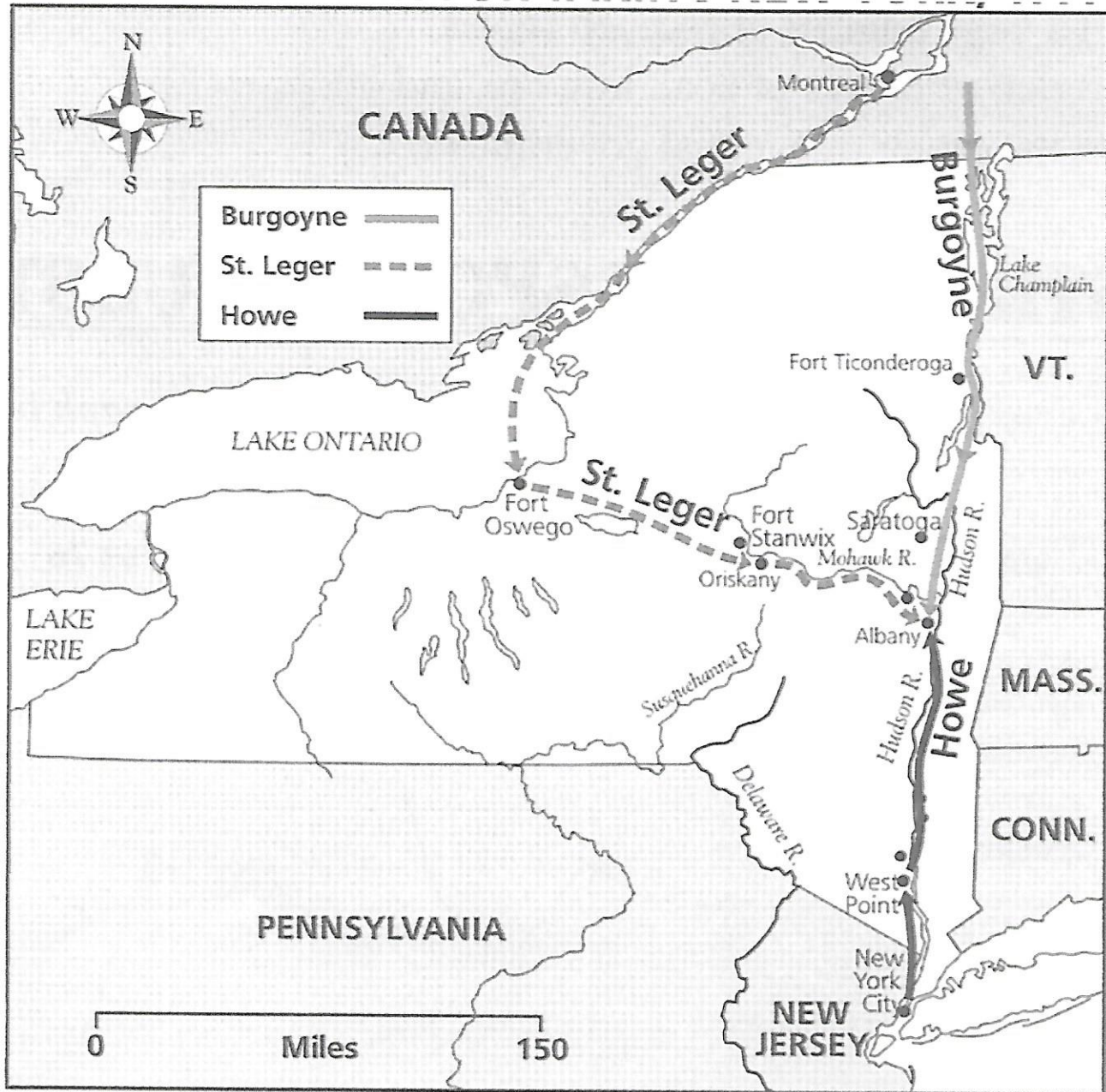
2. What city is located by 42 degrees North (the latitude) and 76 degrees West (the longitude)?

ANSWER: _____

3. How many cities in New York State are west of Buffalo?

ANSWER: _____

Map 5: A map of the British plan for taking New York State in 1777.



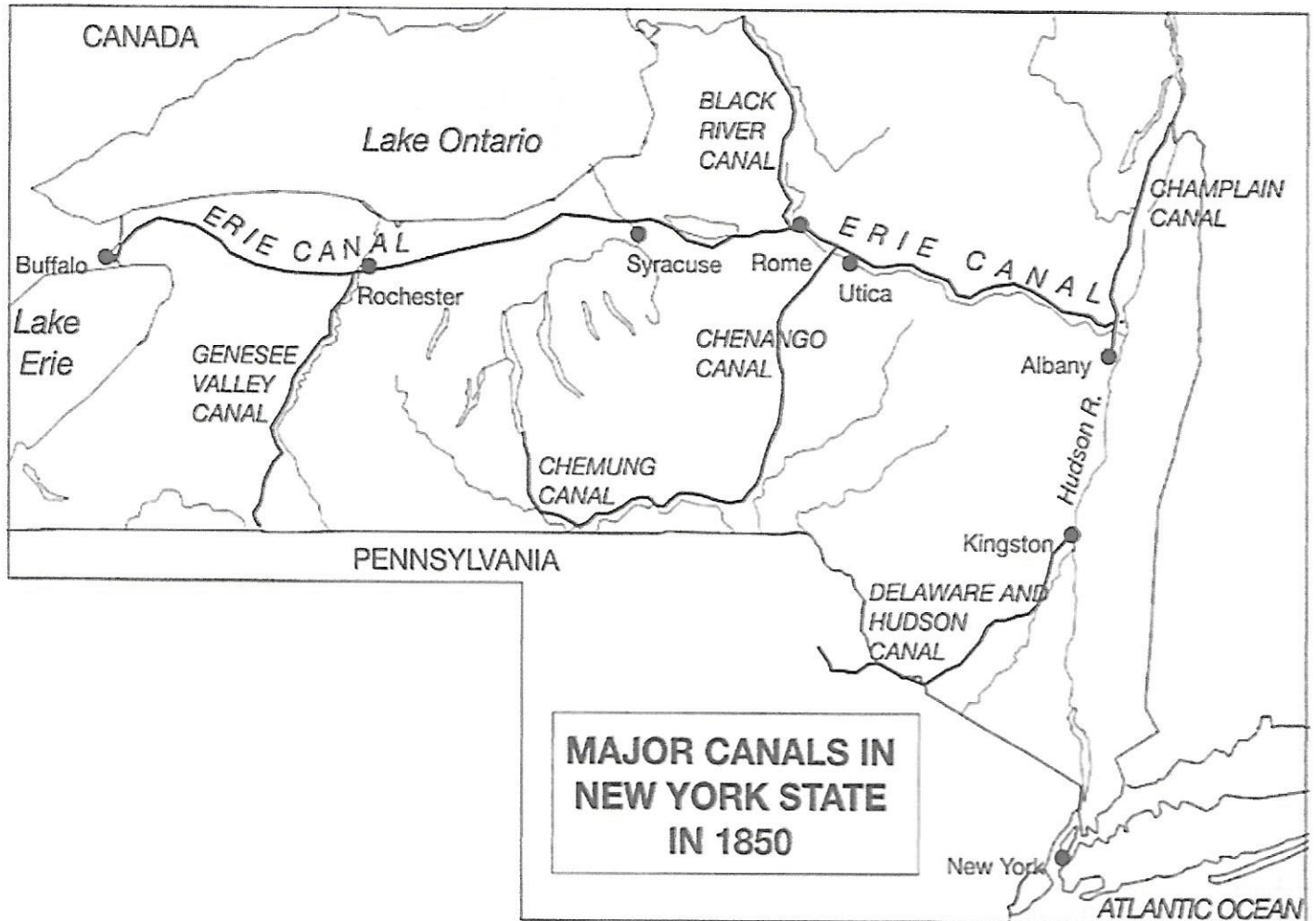
1. What city was General St. Leger army supposed to start from?

ANSWER: _____

2. What city was the three British Army's supposed to meet each other at?

ANSWER: _____

Map 6: A map of the Major canals of New York State in 1850.



1. The westward end of the Erie Canal is Lake Erie. What river is the eastern end of the canal?

ANSWER: _____

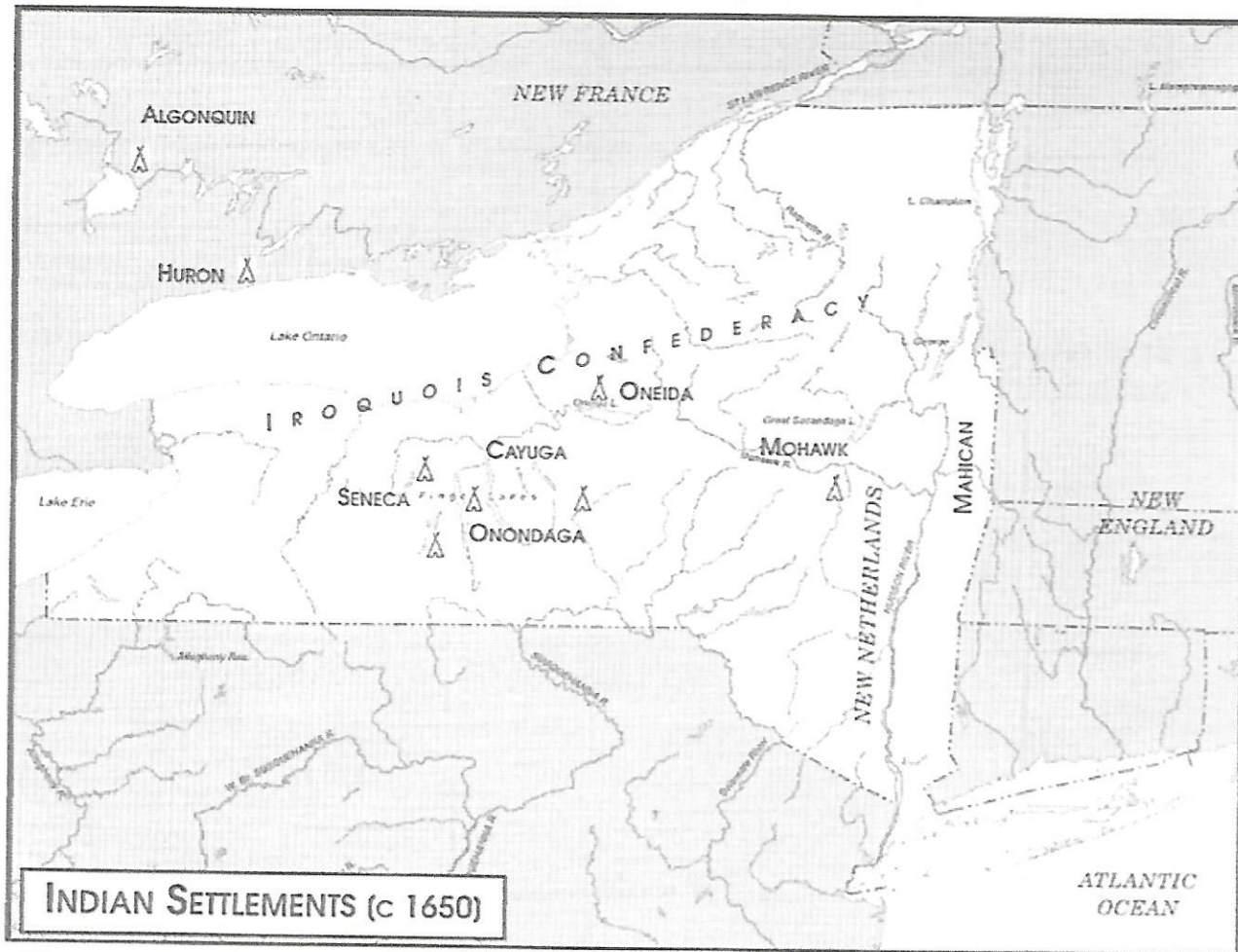
2. Using the Erie Canal and the river mentioned above, you could sail from Buffalo to what major city?

ANSWER: _____

3. Why are most of the cities in New York State located on the Erie Canal?

ANSWER: _____

Map 7: A map of large Native American towns in 1650.



1. Name two tribes that lived in “New France”

ANSWER: _____

2. What was the English Colony East of the Iroquois confederacy called?

ANSWER: _____

3. What was Dutch Colony South East of the Iroquois confederacy called?

ANSWER: _____

4. Why are most Settlements located on rivers?

ANSWER: _____

Writing Task

Using information from at least four of the maps, write a paragraph about a town from Map #4 that you would like to live if you could. What is the estimated longitude and latitude of that town? What physical features make this town an interesting place to live? Which historical features make this town an interesting place to live? All the information in your paragraph should be from the maps from this assignment. No outside sources should be used. A well written paragraph should contain at least 10 sentences. Remember to start your paragraph with a sentence that introduces what your paragraph will be about (a topic sentence), and a final sentence that restates your topic sentence in different words (a concluding sentence).

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