Teaching Suggestions

After the Civil War the process of reuniting the nation was slow and difficult. Former Confederate states had to form new governments and be readmitted to the Union. The challenges led to a great deal of tension on both sides. This map shows the arrangements for readmission of the southern states.
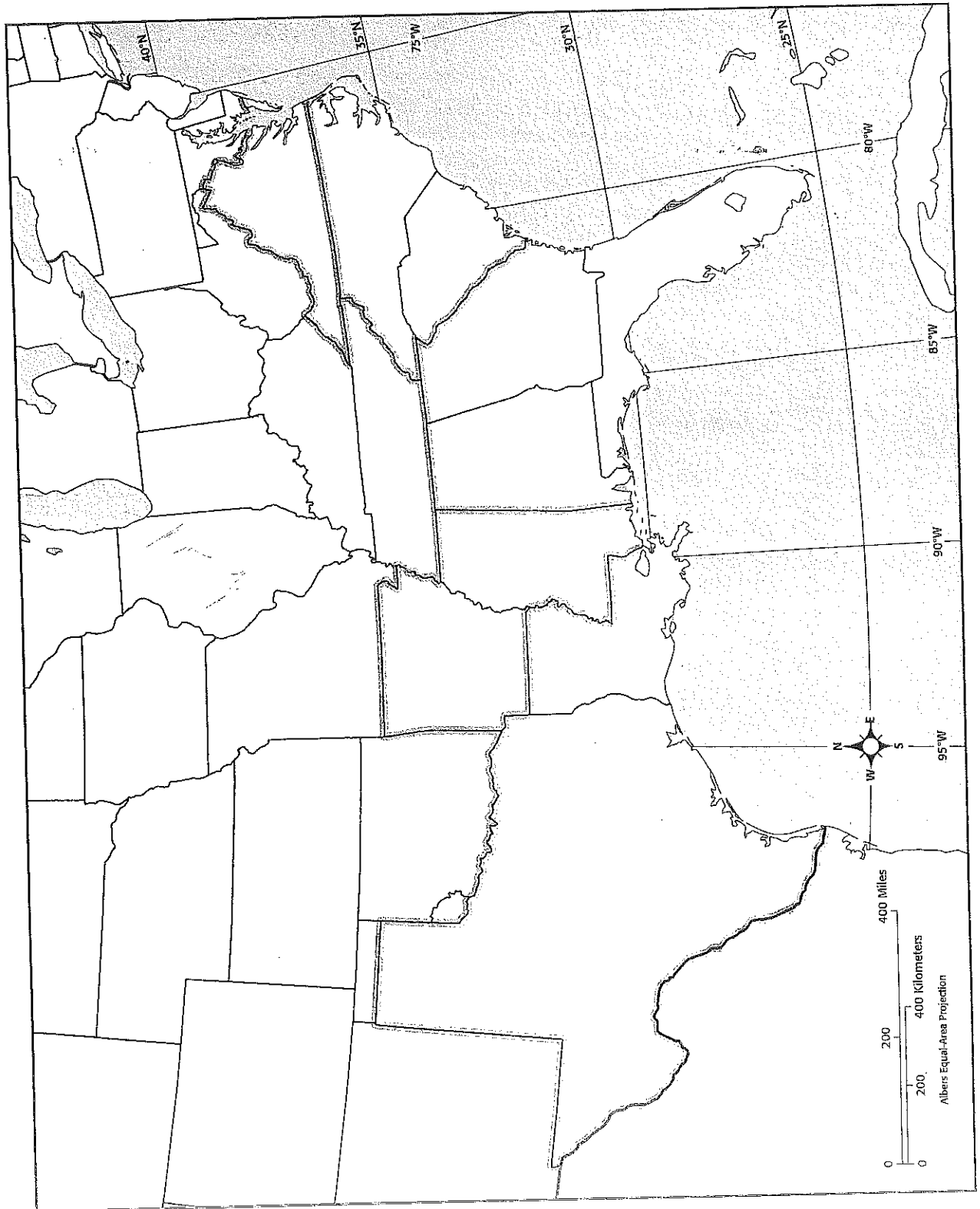
1. Ask students how many military districts existed in the South.

2. Have students color the states according to the year of their readmission to the Union. Remind them to create a legend for their maps. Ask which state was the first to be readmitted. Which states were readmitted last?

3. A measure of the southern states' power over their own affairs was their defeat of Republican governments, which they felt were imposed on them by outsiders. Ask students to identify the states that defeated Republican governments first.

4. Ask students which military district contained only one state. Which district contained the most states?

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