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# Becoming Americans Basics



This image shows ladies in colonial costumes selling items at Colonial Williamsburg in Virginia. This image is courtesy of Wikimedia Commons.

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## Vocabulary



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Stratford Hall plantation was the home of one of early America's gentry, the Lee family of Virginia. This image is courtesy of Wikimedia Commons.

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**Social Mobility** was one of the factors that made American society unique compared to European society.



This two-wheeled carriage or cart is used at Colonial Williamsburg in Williamsburg, Virginia. This image is courtesy of history.org.

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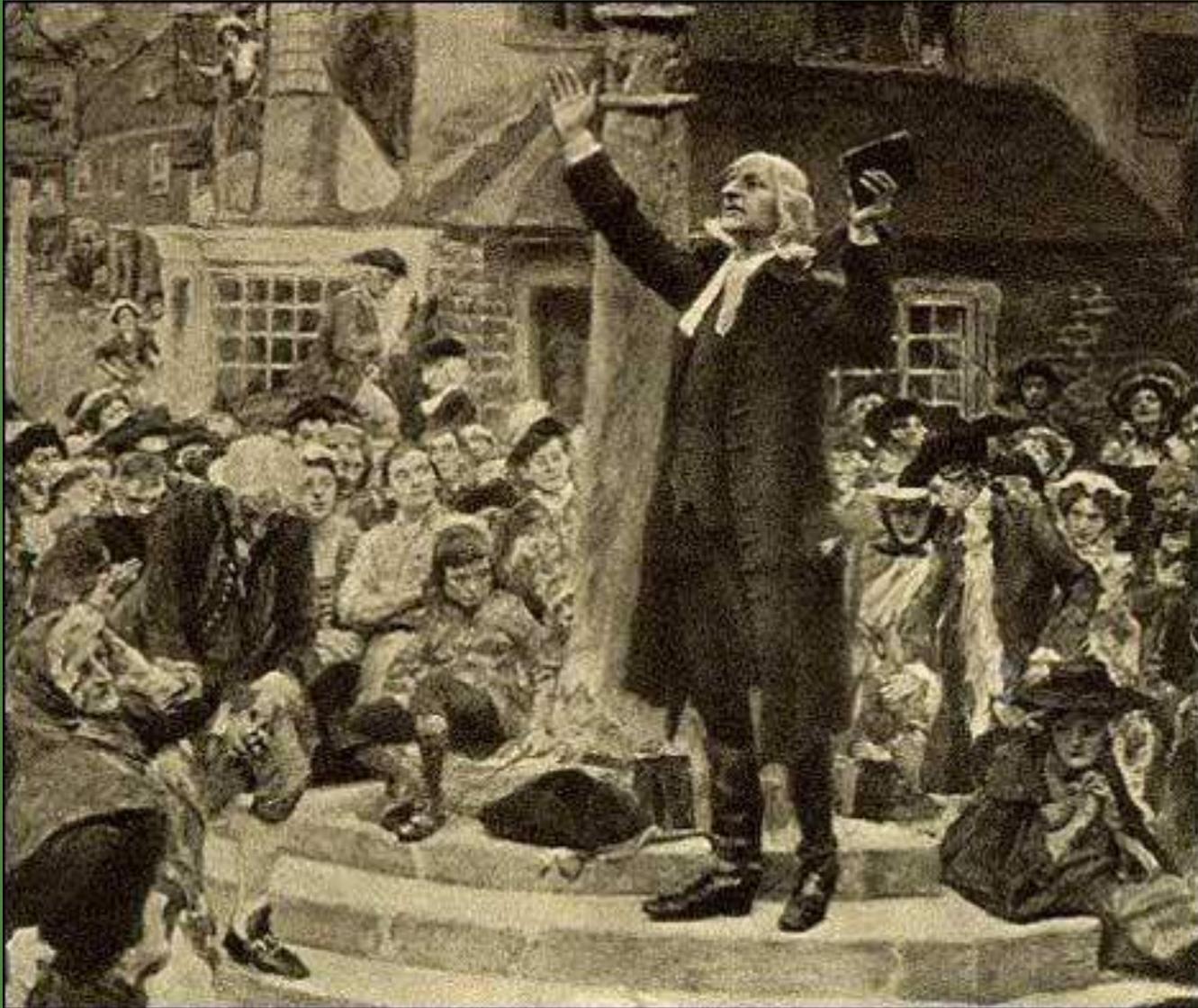
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Many people at outdoor religious gatherings believed that the **Great Awakening** was for all people, regardless of their social standing.



The leading revivalist preacher was George Whitefield from Great Britain. He drew huge crowds as he traveled from Georgia to New England. This image is courtesy of tumblr.com.

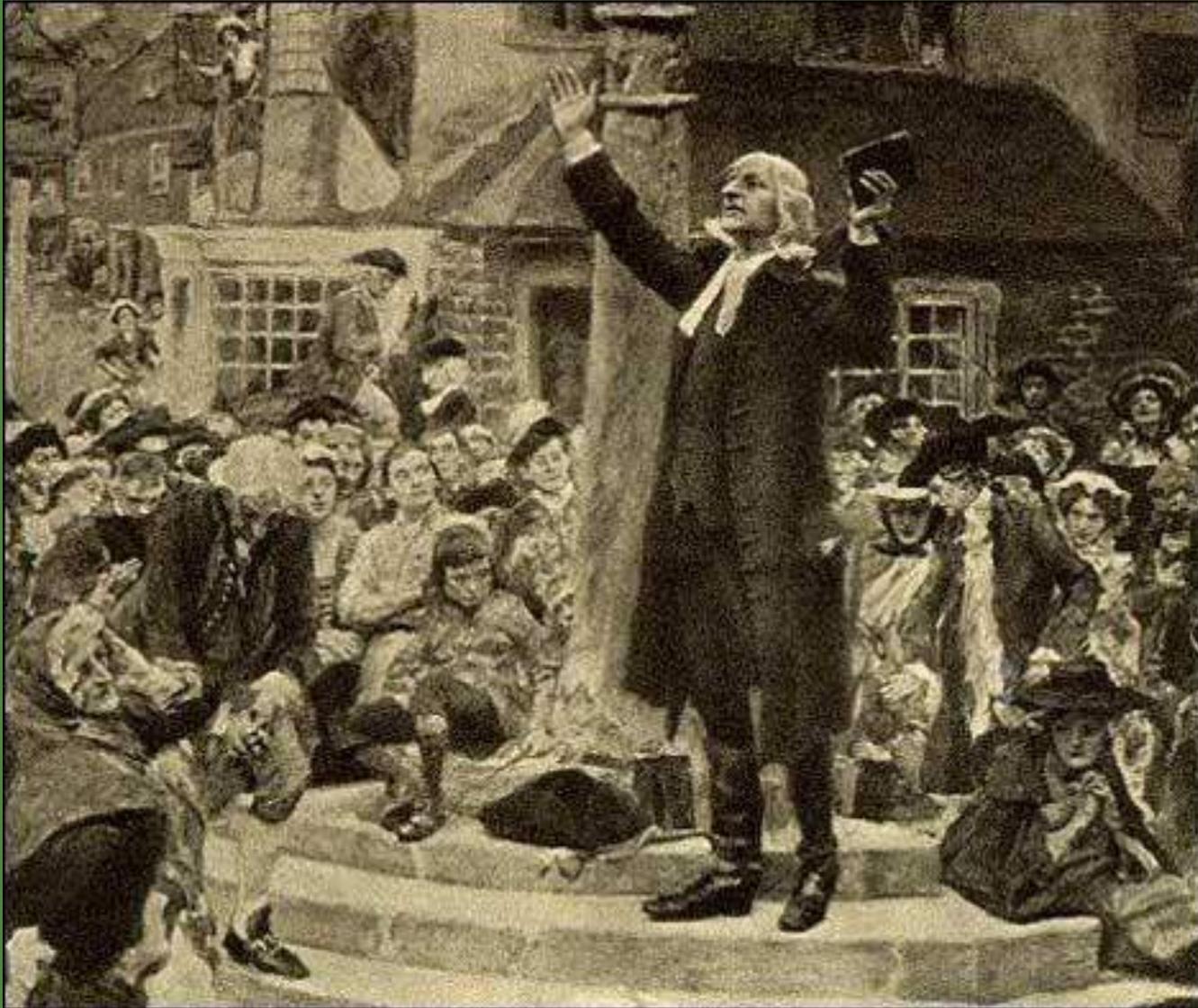
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A **revival** was a religious event known by preachers' fiery sermons warning people of the dangers of God's anger.



John Wesley (1703-1791) was the founder of the Methodist Church. He traveled with James Oglethorpe to Georgia in 1736. This image is courtesy of [sonofthesouth.net](http://sonofthesouth.net).

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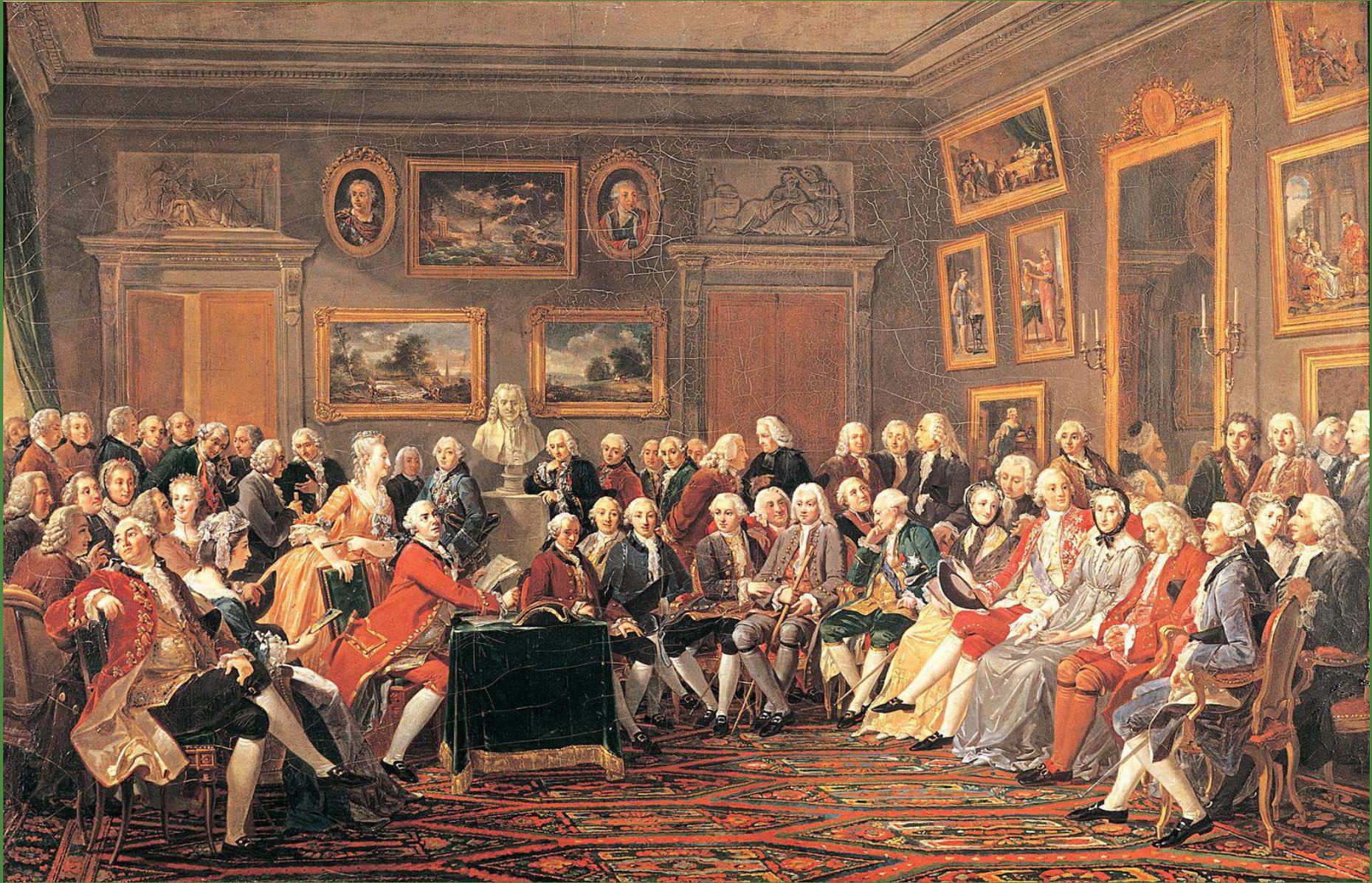
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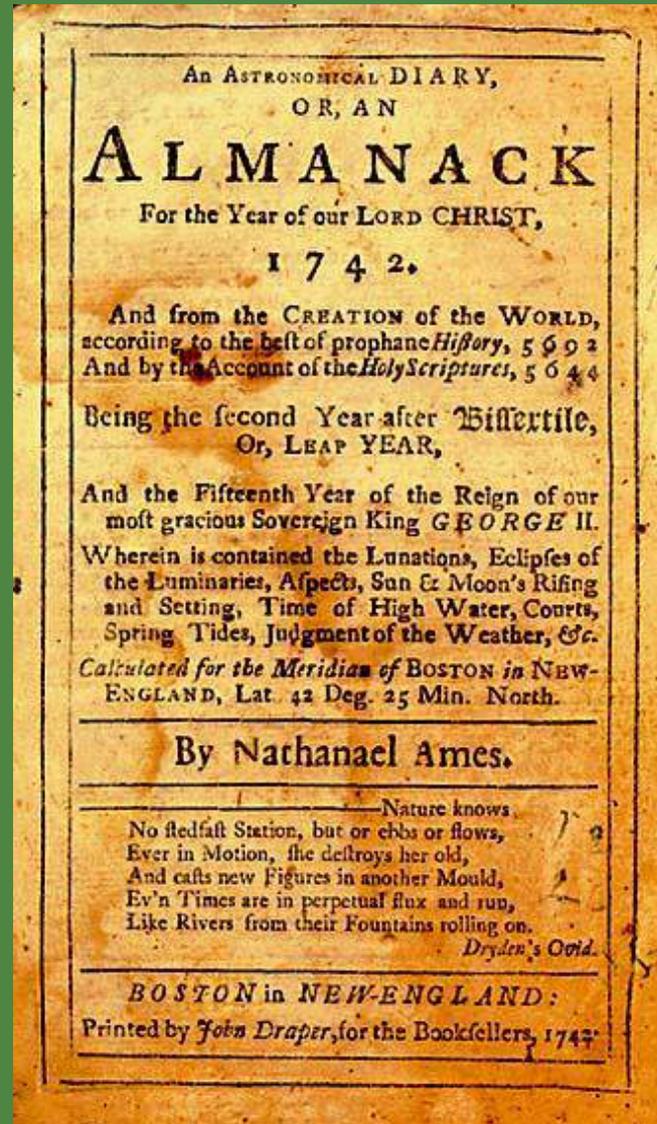
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The Enlightenment movement became known as the “Age of Reason.”



The leading thinkers of France came together to produce an encyclopedia. They are discussing this project. This image is courtesy of [brittanicaforkids.com](http://brittanicaforkids.com).

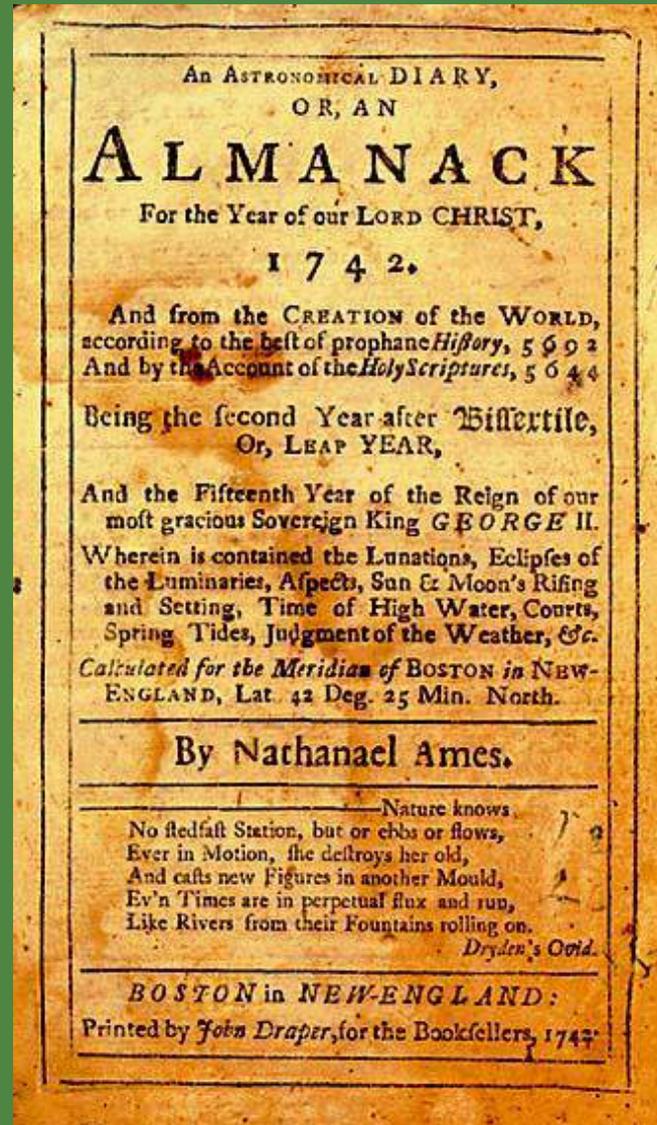
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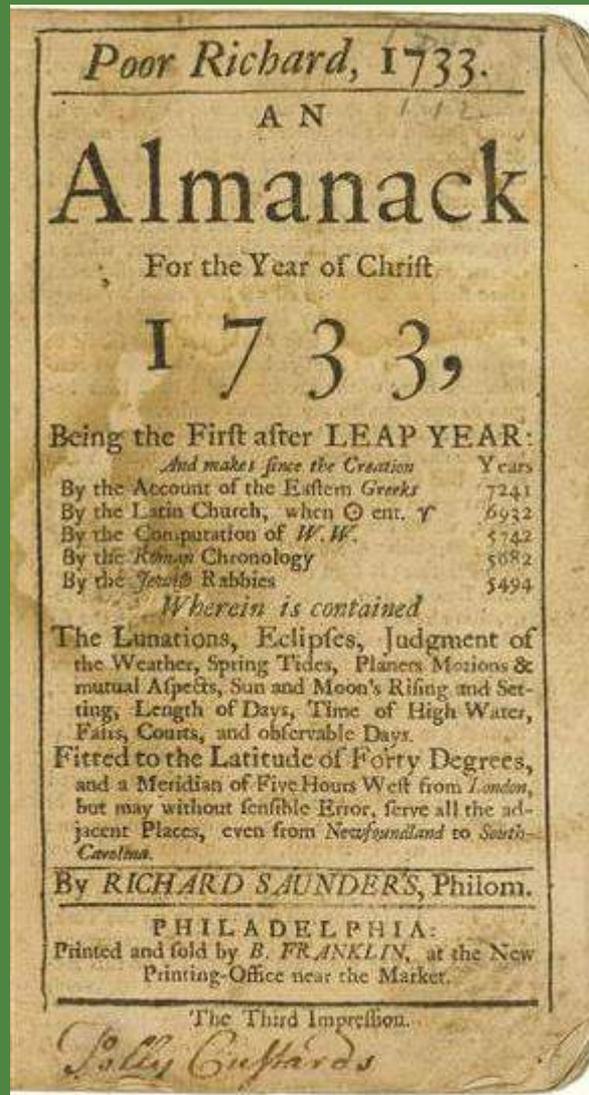
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**Almanacs** were usually around 30-40 pages and contained a list of events that were to happen in the upcoming year.



*Poor Richard's Almanack* was first published in 1733. There are only three copies that are known to exist. One of the copies sold for \$556,500 in 2009. At the time, this was the second highest price for a book made in America. The highest price was \$1.4 million for George Washington's personal copy of *The Federalist Papers* in 1990. This image is courtesy of today.com.

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The scientific revolution proved that **astrology** has no scientific truth and does not have the ability to predict or correctly explain events.



Although astrology was once respected as much as astronomy, medicine, or meteorology it is now considered to be a “pseudoscience.” This image is courtesy of [astrologicalsignsguide.wordpress.com](http://astrologicalsignsguide.wordpress.com).

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## People to Meet



This image by Charles Mills is titled "Franklin Opening First Subscription Library in Philadelphia." It was created circa 1914 for the Detroit Photo Company. Franklin is shown at the center of this image. This image is courtesy of the Library of Congress and [bp.blogspot.com](http://bp.blogspot.com)

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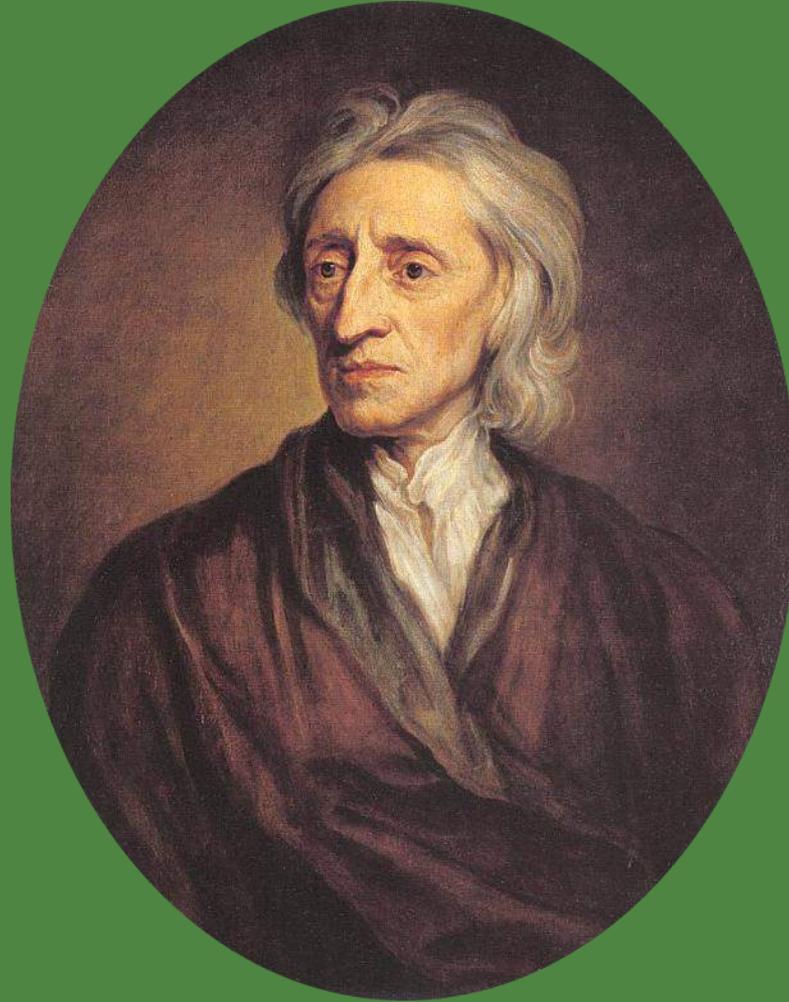
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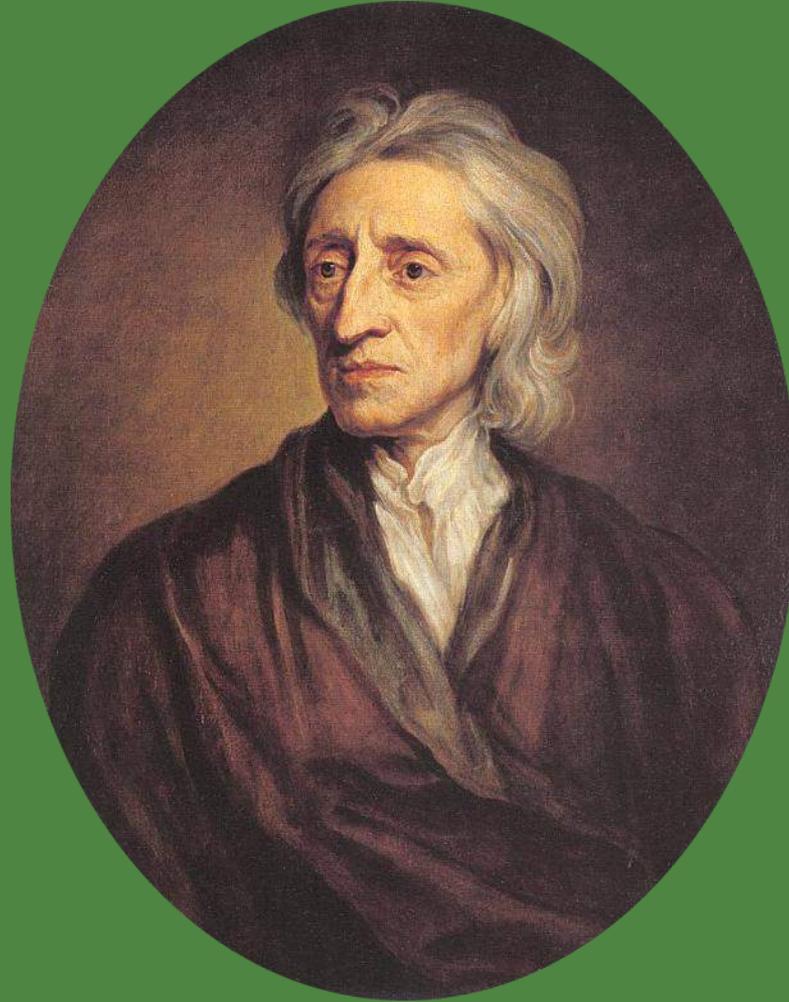
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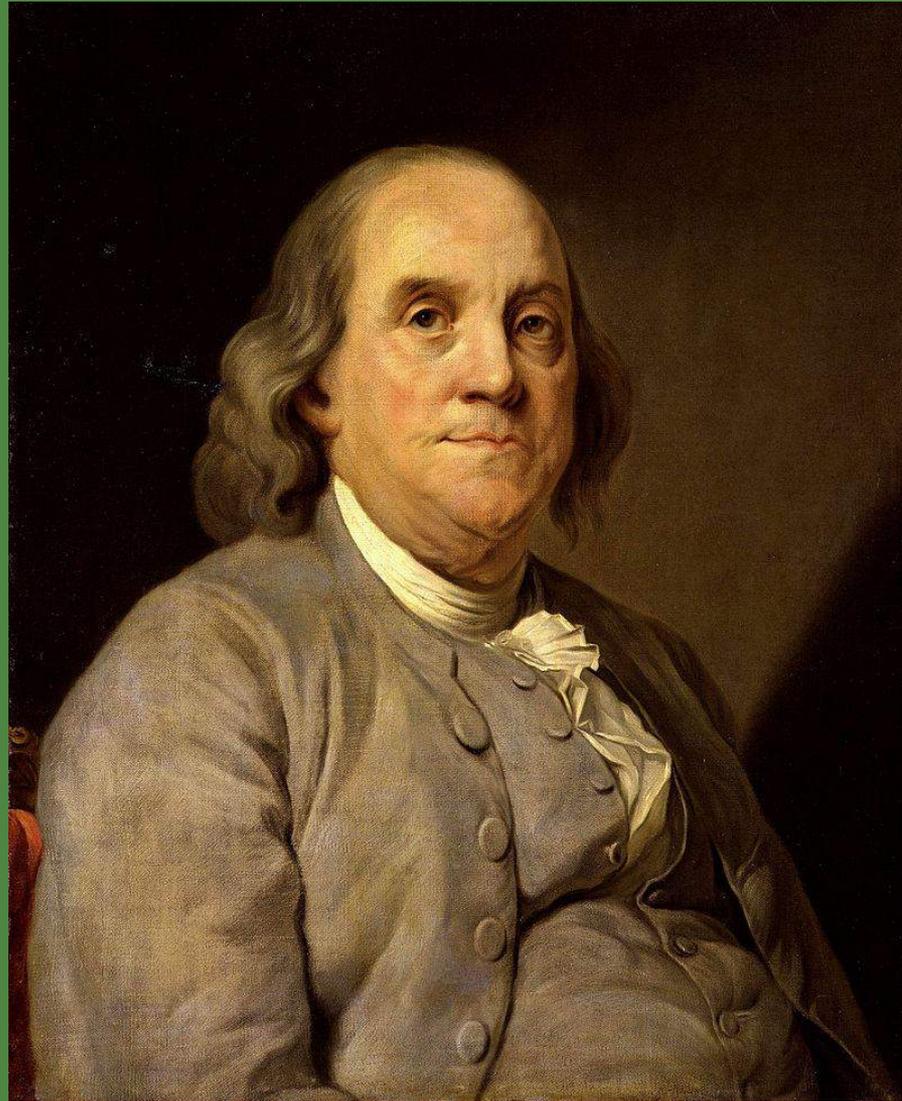
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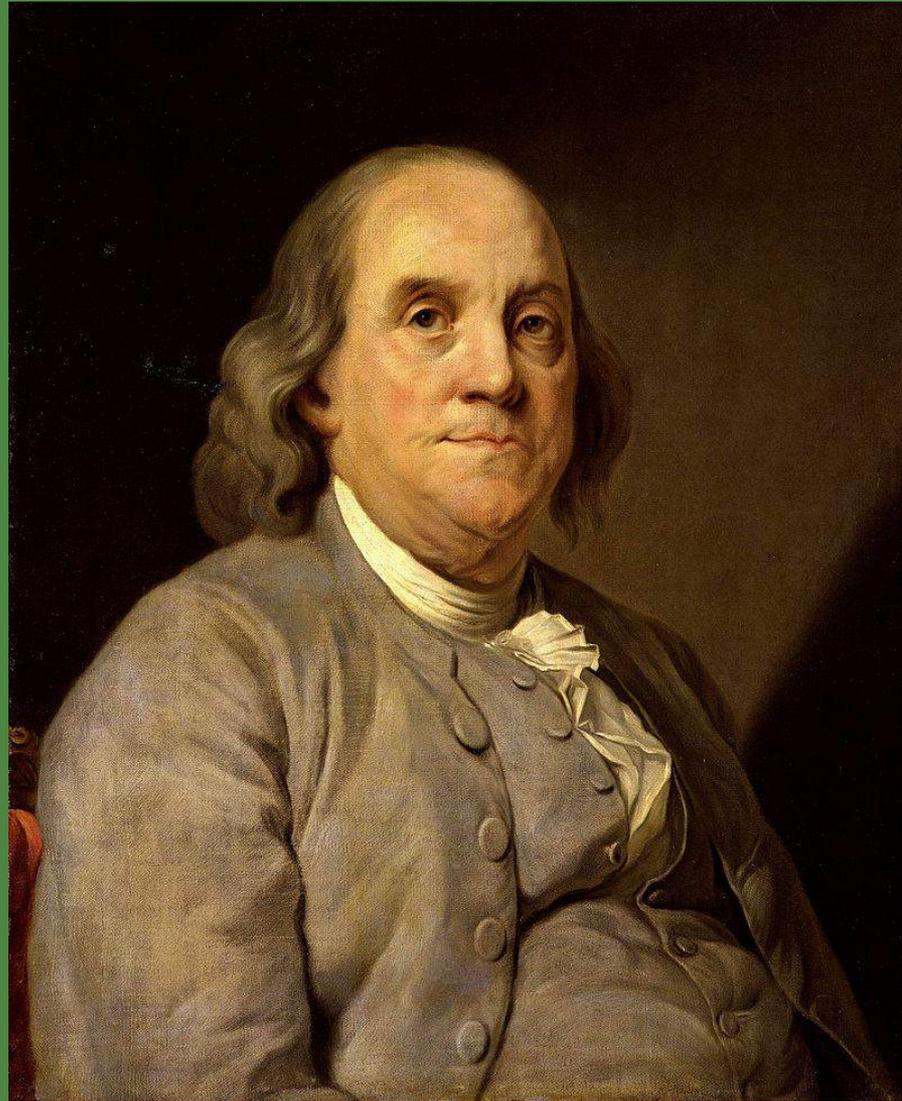
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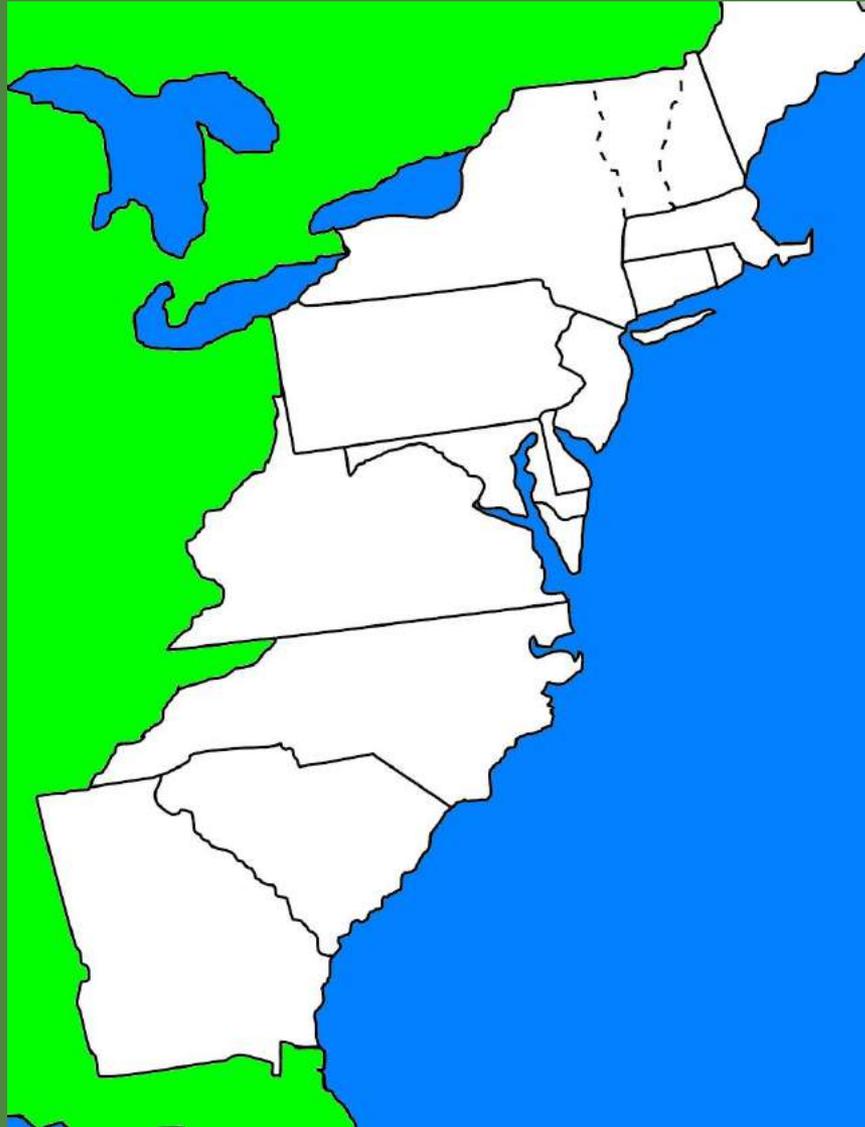
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# English Colonies

## Maps



This image shows original 13 colonies that eventually became the first 13 states of the United States. With the exception of Virginia, this map approximates their present boundaries. The image is courtesy of [humanities7.wordpress.com](http://humanities7.wordpress.com).

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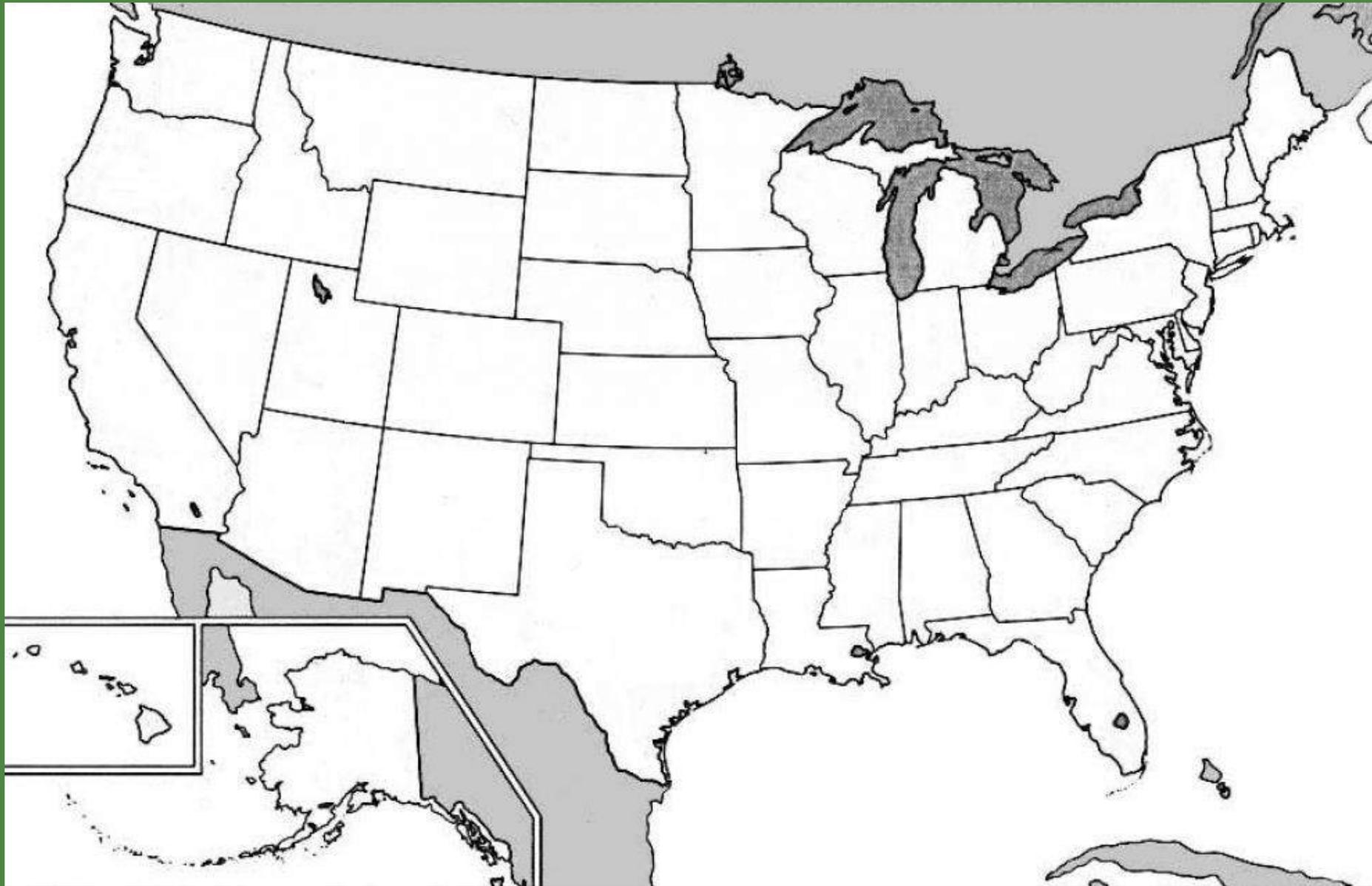
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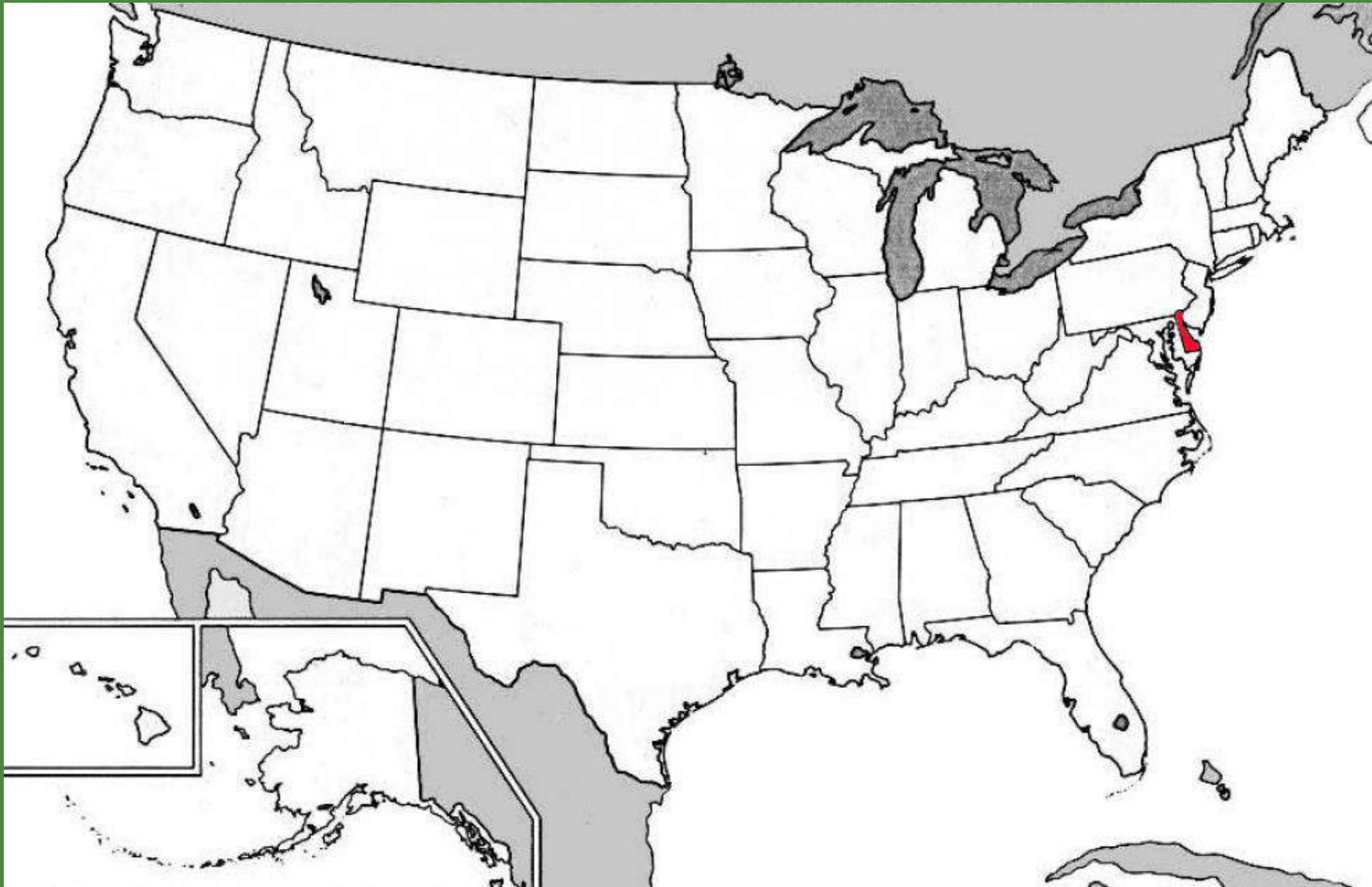
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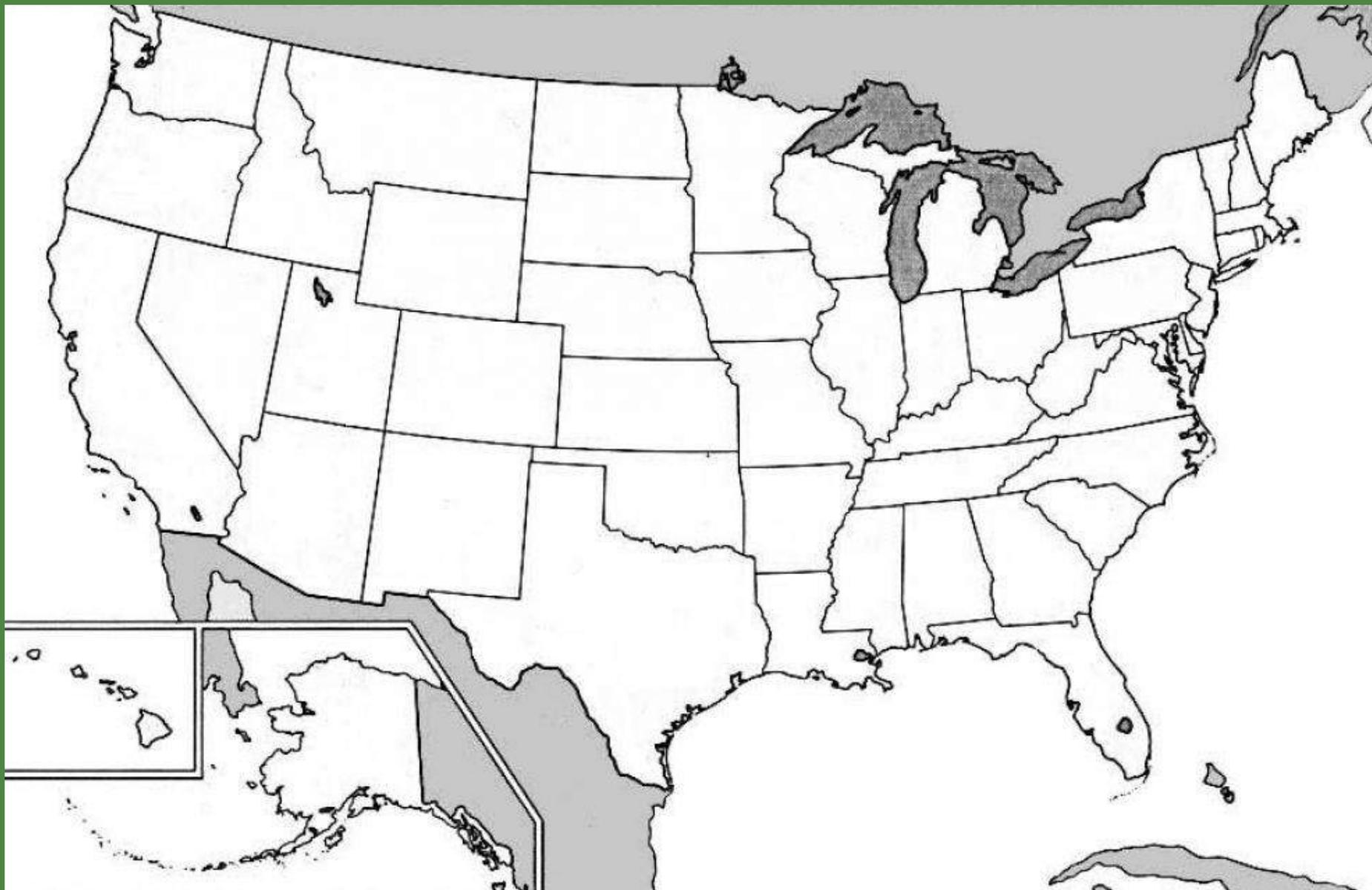
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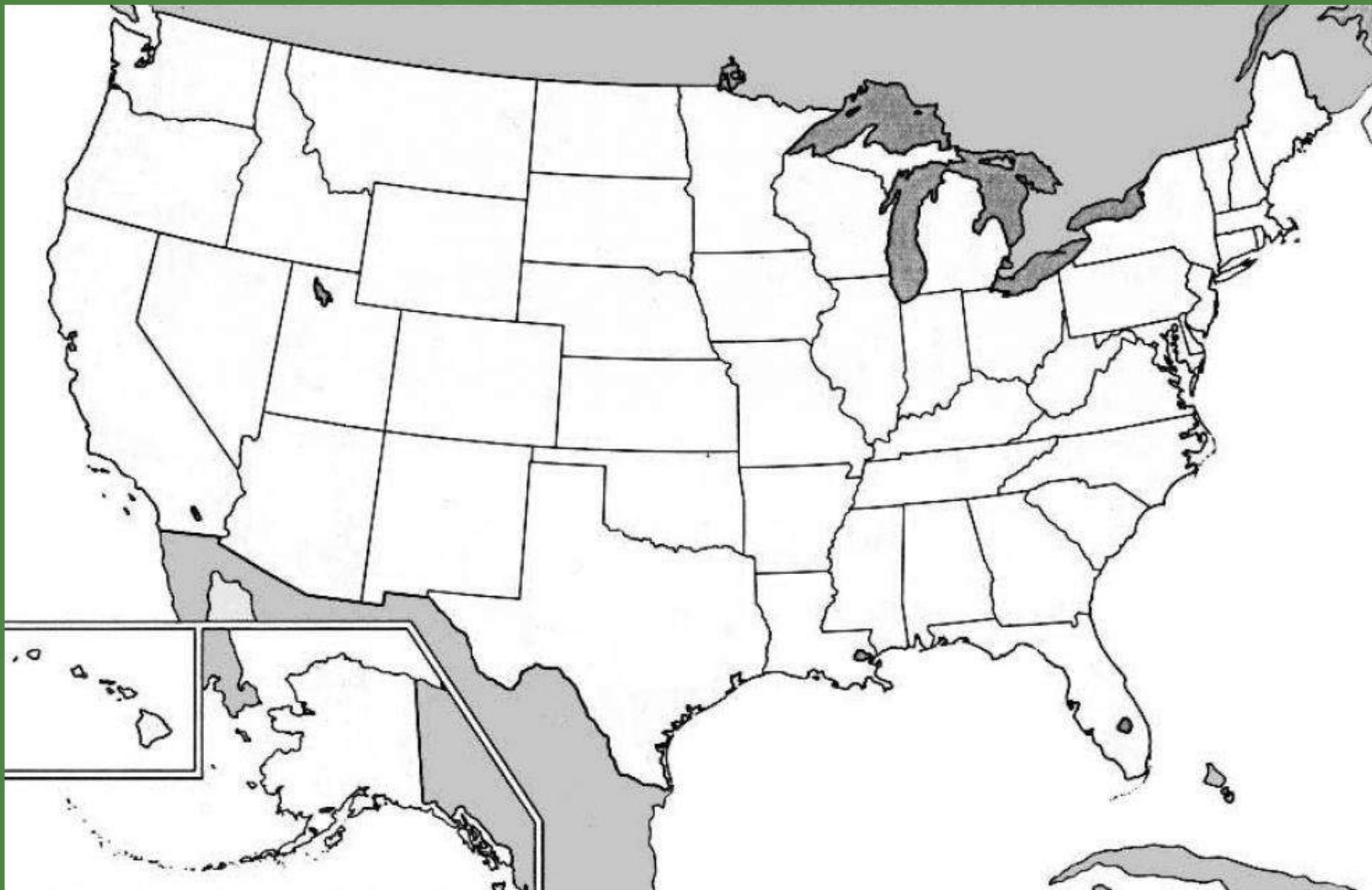
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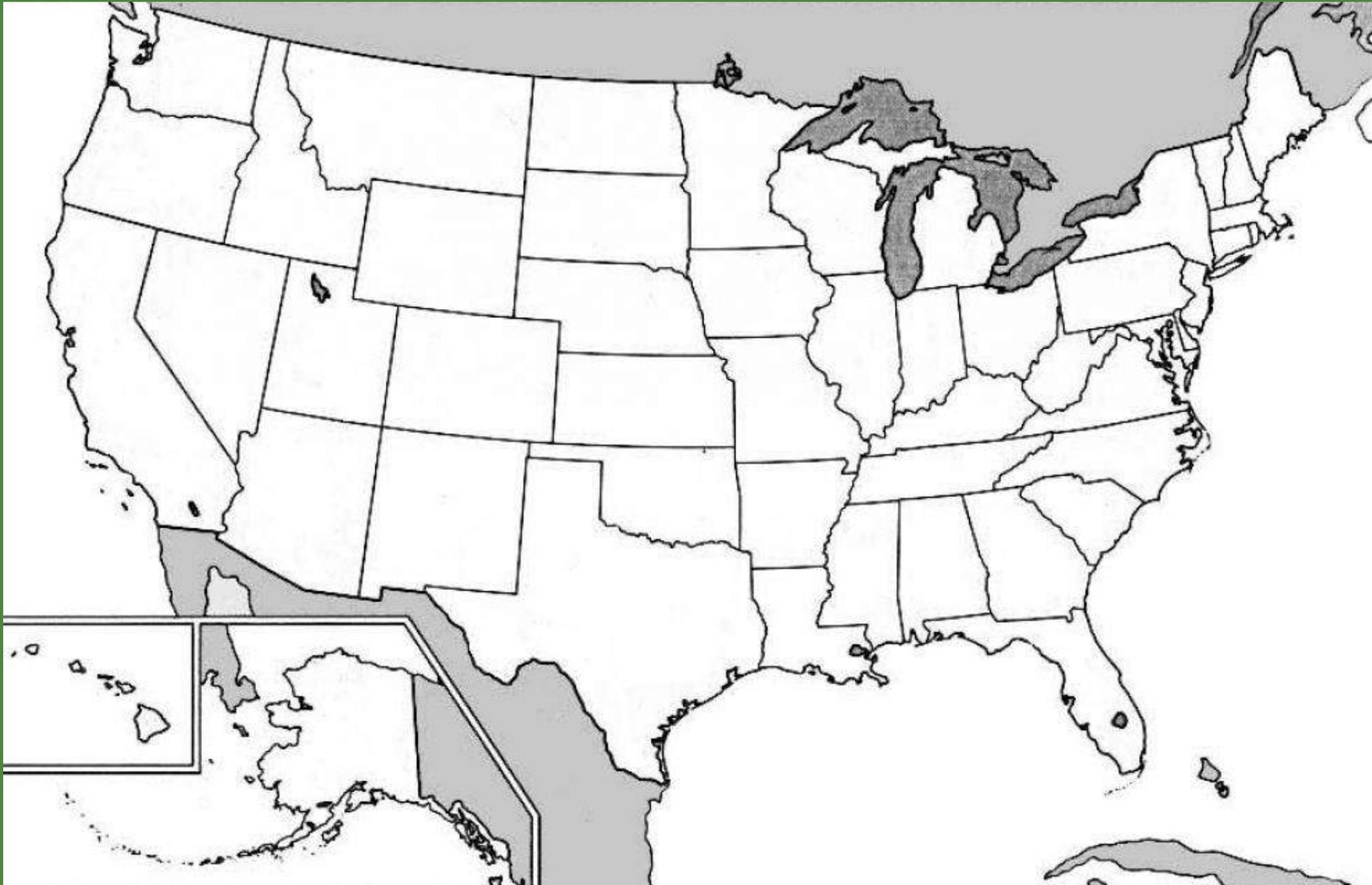
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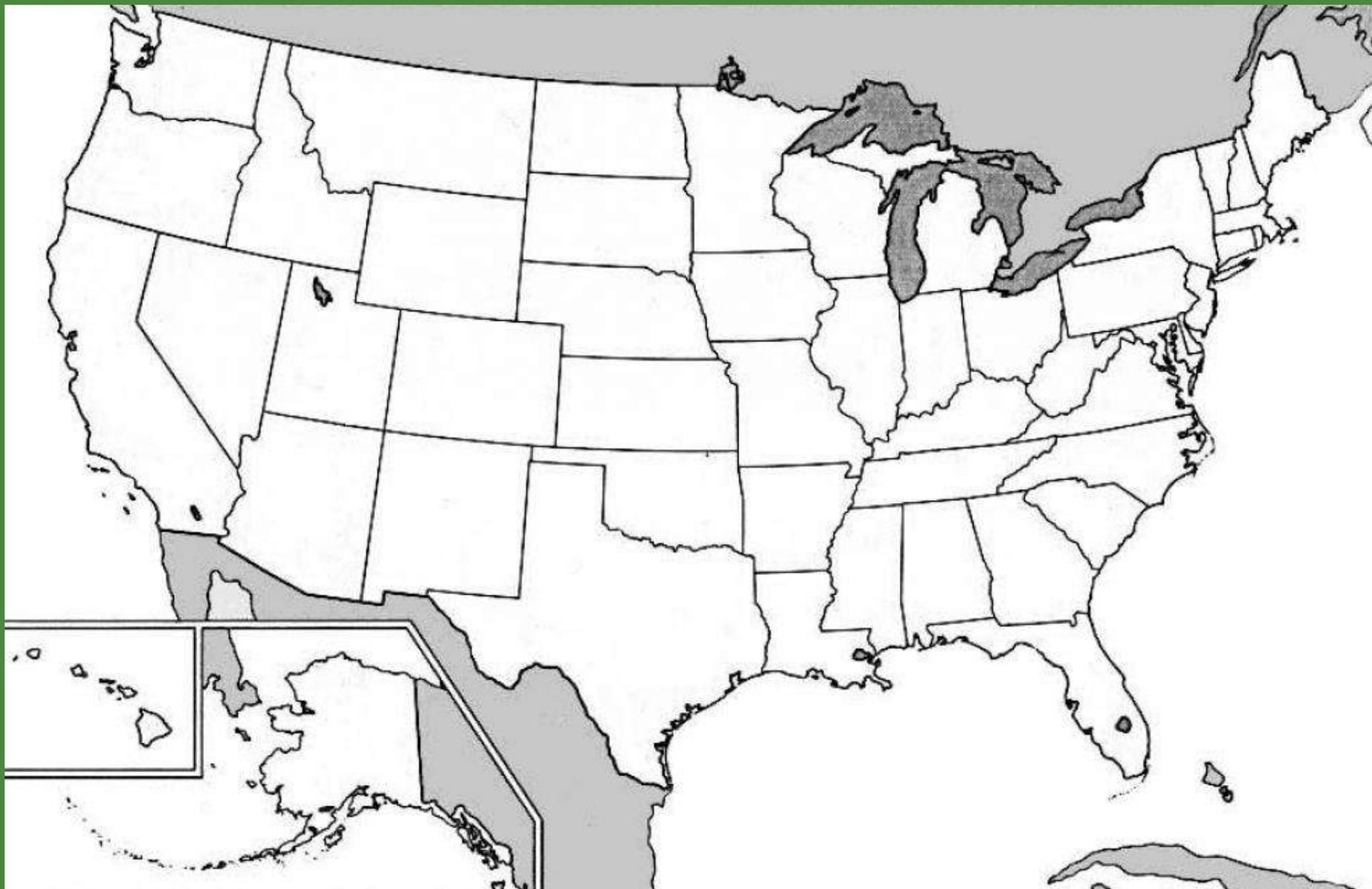
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