The Gift of the Nile

You have been asked to write an entry about the Nile River for the Geography Book of Records. Use the outline map and the categories below to write your entry. For help, refer to pages 82 to 85 in your textbook.

LENGTH

LOCATION

DIRECTION IT FLOWS

WHERE IT EMPTYs

FLOOD SEASON

IMPORTANCE TO ANCIENT EGYPT

LANDSCAPE OF THE NILE REGION
Write About It

Read this passage from “Hymn to the Nile.” Ancient Egyptians depended on the Nile. It was sacred and precious to them because it sustained life. In what ways did ancient Egyptians use the Nile?

Hail to you, O Nile!
Mysterious is your pouring forth from darkness,
On this day that we celebrate!
Water the orchards created by Ra, to cause all the cattle to live
You give the earth water to drink, eternal one!
Path that descends from the sky . . . you cause the workshops . . .
to prosper!

Your writing should:
• include details about how Egyptians relied on the Nile.
• use facts and details to help the reader understand your points.
• use correct grammar, spelling, punctuation, and capitalization.
I Wonder Where the Wonders Were

Study this map showing the locations of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. Then answer the questions below.

1. Which wonder was located at Ephesus?

2. Which five wonders were in or near the Mediterranean Sea?

3. Which wonder was the furthest east?

4. Which wonder was south of the Lighthouse of Alexandria?

5. Which two wonders were located in what is now Turkey?

BONUS --- Which two wonders were furthest apart? How many miles apart were they?

1. ____________________

2. ____________________