




Ottoman Empire, 1699–1914

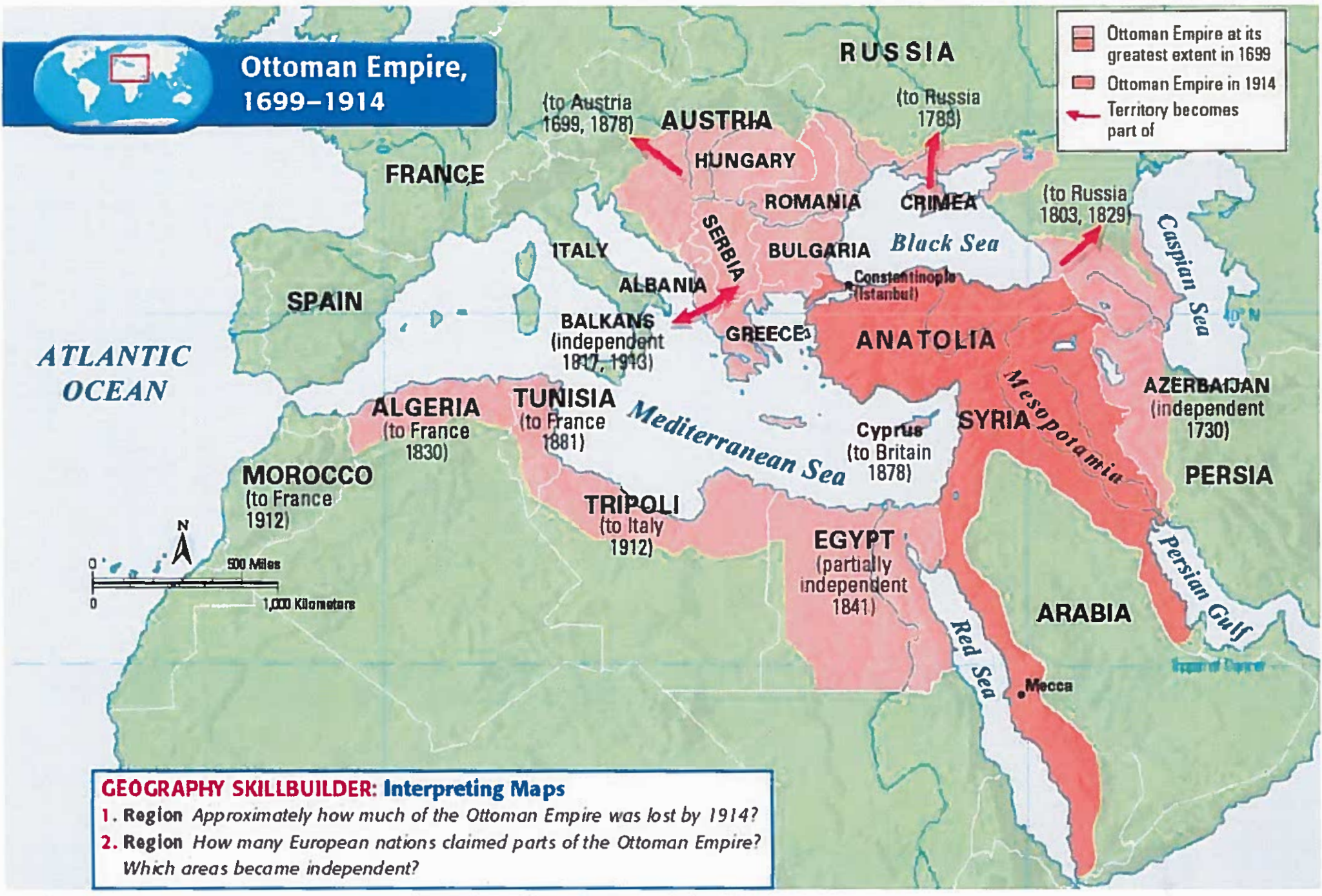
 Ottoman Empire at its greatest extent in 1699
 Ottoman Empire in 1914
 Territory becomes part of

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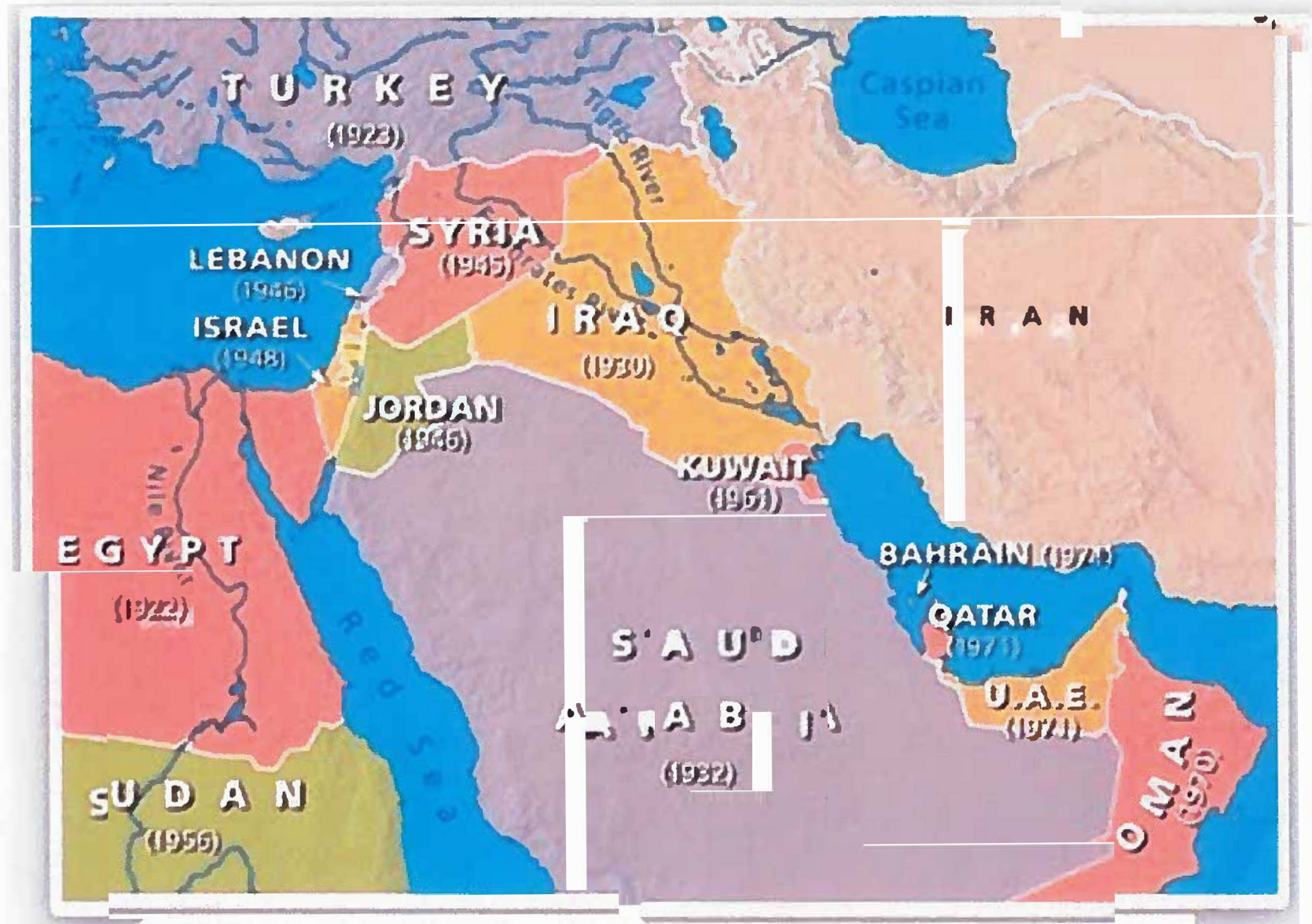


GEOGRAPHY SKILLBUILDER: Interpreting Maps

1. **Region** Approximately how much of the Ottoman Empire was lost by 1914?
2. **Region** How many European nations claimed parts of the Ottoman Empire? Which areas became independent?







While most of the people of the region have ancient roots, most of the nations of the Middle East have existed for a relatively short time. This map shows modern borders and the years in which these countries gained independence.