

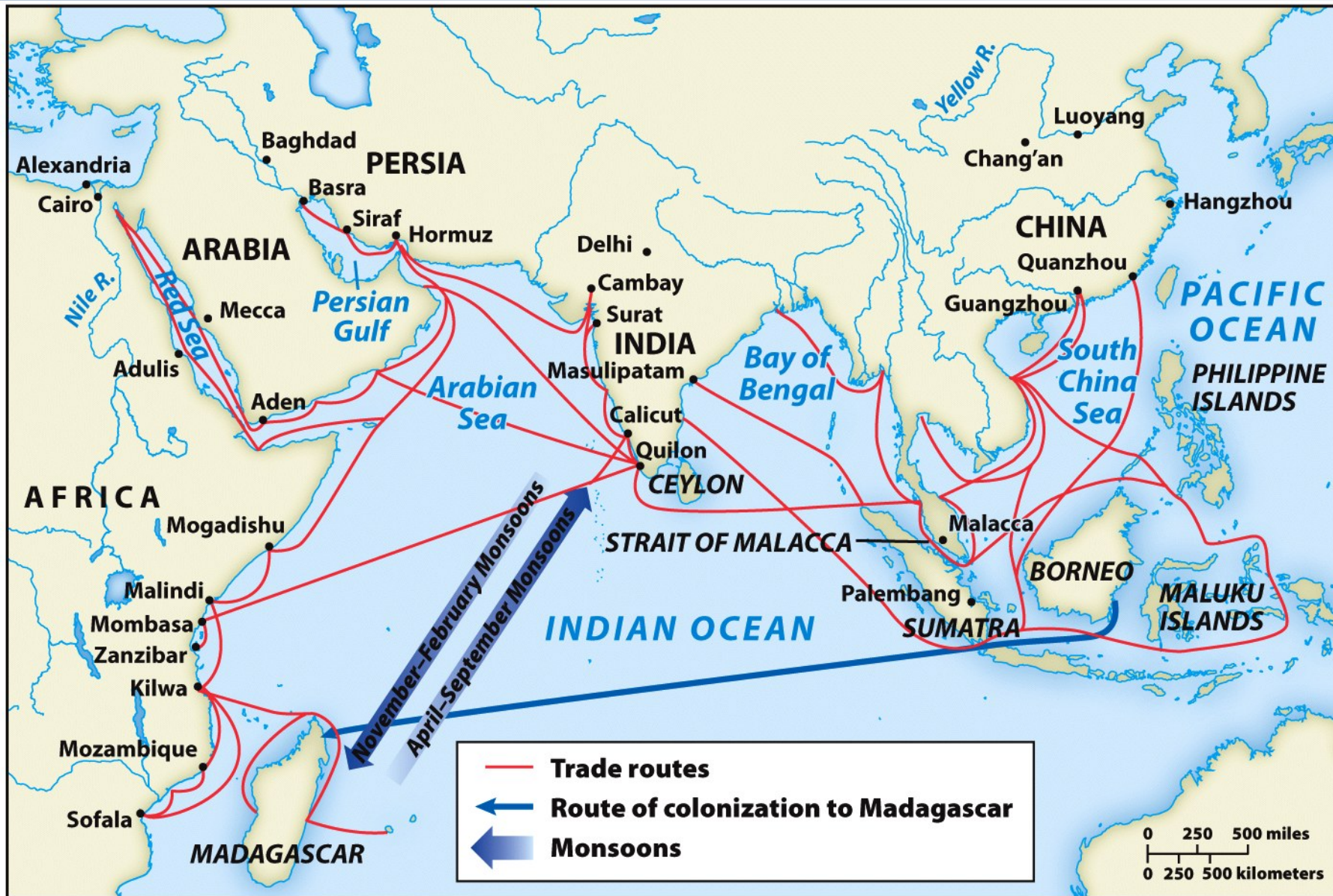
# THE INDIAN OCEAN BASIN

BY GEORGE HALDAMAN  
MASCOUTAH HIGH SCHOOL



# Why should I teach about the Indian Ocean Trade Basin?

- It is a great way of connecting the sea routes/Silk Road with the places, people, and regions that cover the region.
- It demonstrates the first example of economic globalization in history.
- You can explore the consequences as a result of contact with regions around the Indian, Atlantic, Asian, and African world. (Spread of goods, religion, and technology for example)
- You can explore the political rise and fall of empires throughout time periods and infer on the causes and effects of those falls.
- Required in AP curriculum
- Crash Course World History:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a6XtBLDmPA0>



Map 8-2  
*Ways of the World, First Edition*  
 © 2009 Bedford/St.Martin's

# THE SILK ROUTES

# MAP 3



## Why should I use the website?

- I recommend using the website at <http://indianoceanhistory.org/>
- It's a great website with a variety of articles, lesson plans, and maps exploring the Indian Ocean Basin throughout history.
- I use it as a webquest.
  - ▣ Engages the student's in higher-order thinking skills as they find evidence on their own in a hands-on activity
  - ▣ Uses the internet for information that cannot be easily obtained from other sources
  - ▣ You can use collaboration through groupwork