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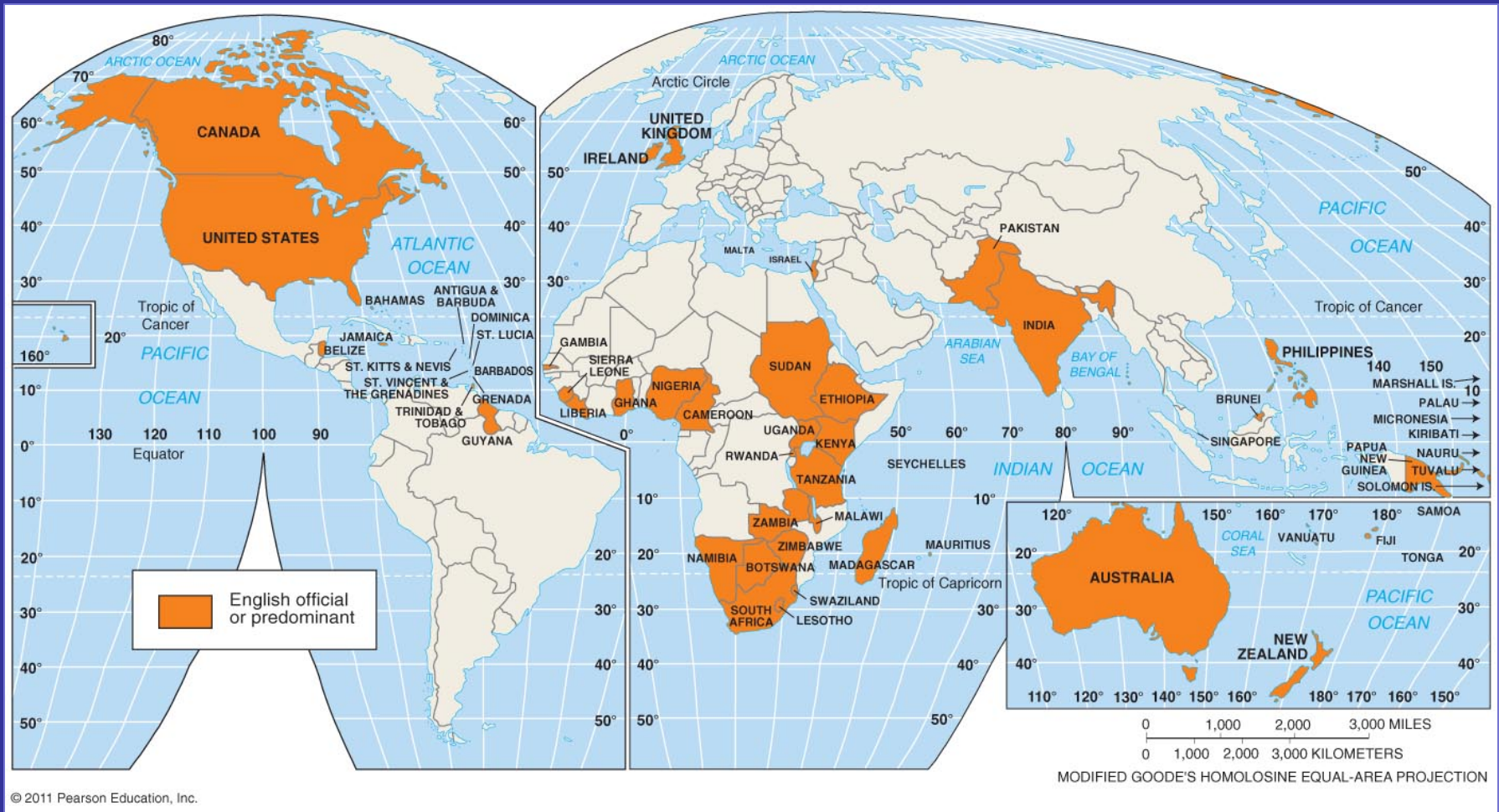
Key Issues

- Where are Languages Distributed?
- Why is English Related to Other Languages?
- Why Do Individual Languages Vary among Places?
- Why Do People Preserve Local Languages?

Where Are Languages Distributed?

- Origin and diffusion of English
 - *English is spoken by 328 million as a first language*
 - *English colonies*
 - *Origin of English in England*
 - German Invasions
 - Norman Invasions

English Speaking Countries



English is the official language in 42 countries, including some in which it is not the most widely spoken language. It is also used and understood in many others.

Invasions of England

5th–11th centuries



The groups that brought what became English to England included Jutes, Angles, Saxons, and Vikings. The Normans later brought French vocabulary to English.

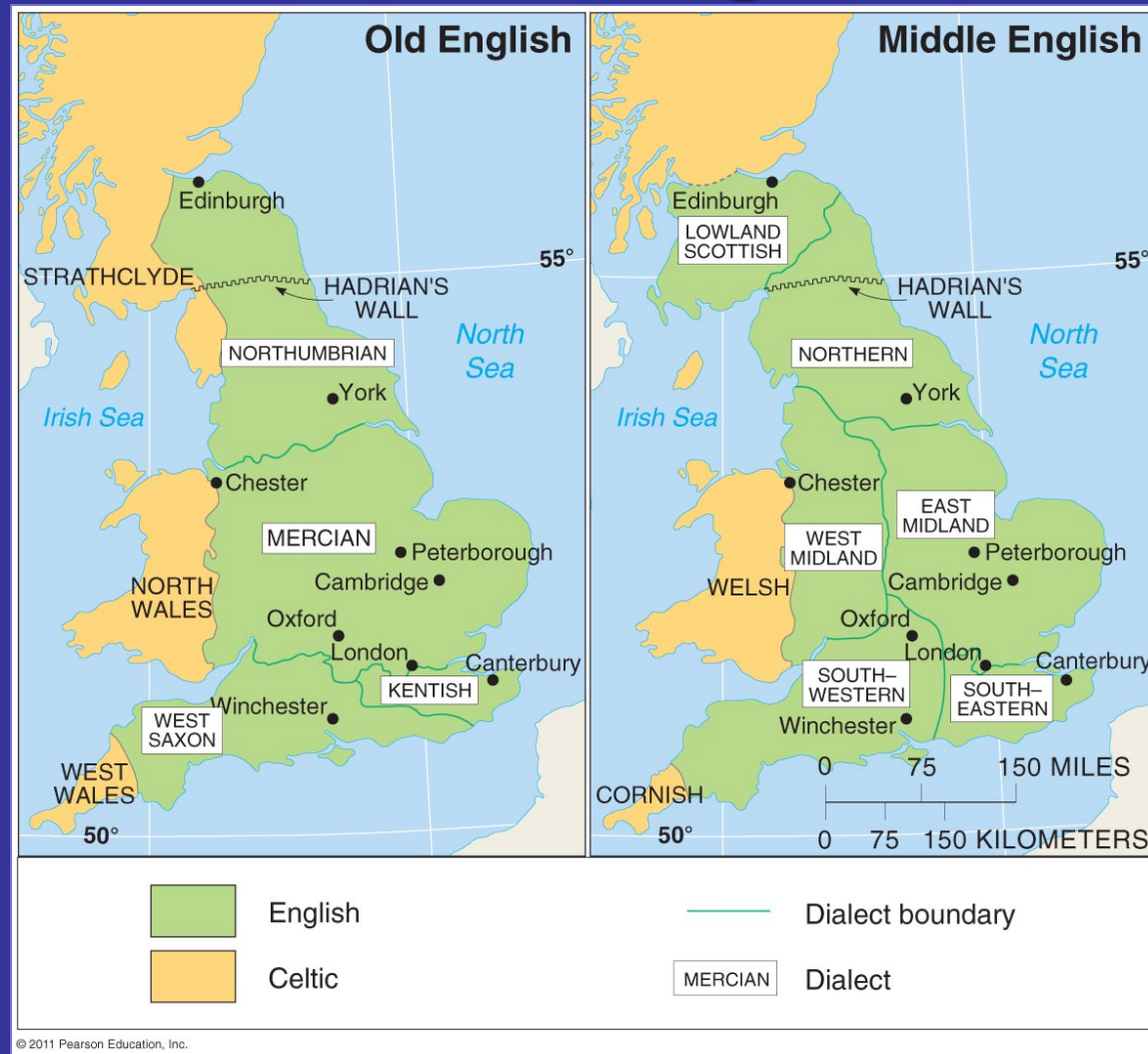
Where Are English Language Speakers Distributed?

- Dialects of English
 - *Dialect = a regional variation of a language*
 - *Isogloss = a word-usage boundary*
 - *Standard language = a well-established dialect*
 - *Dialects*
 - In England
 - Differences between British and American English

dialects

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Old and Middle English Dialects

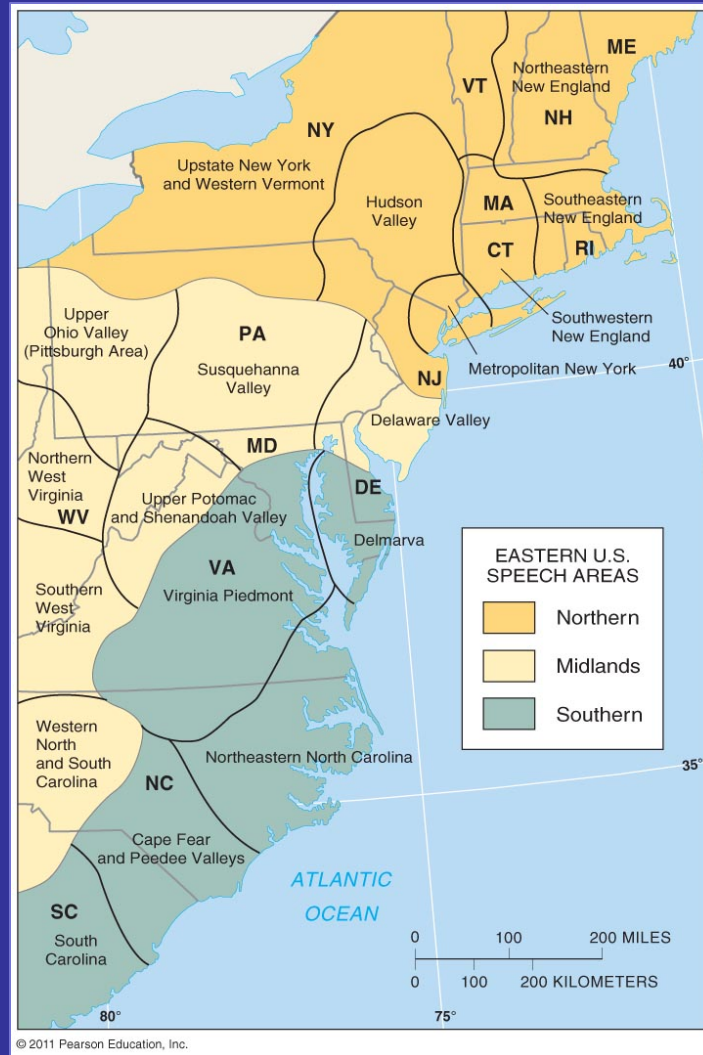


The main dialect regions of Old English before the Norman invasion persisted to some extent in the Middle English dialects through the 1400s.

Where Are English Language Speakers Distributed?

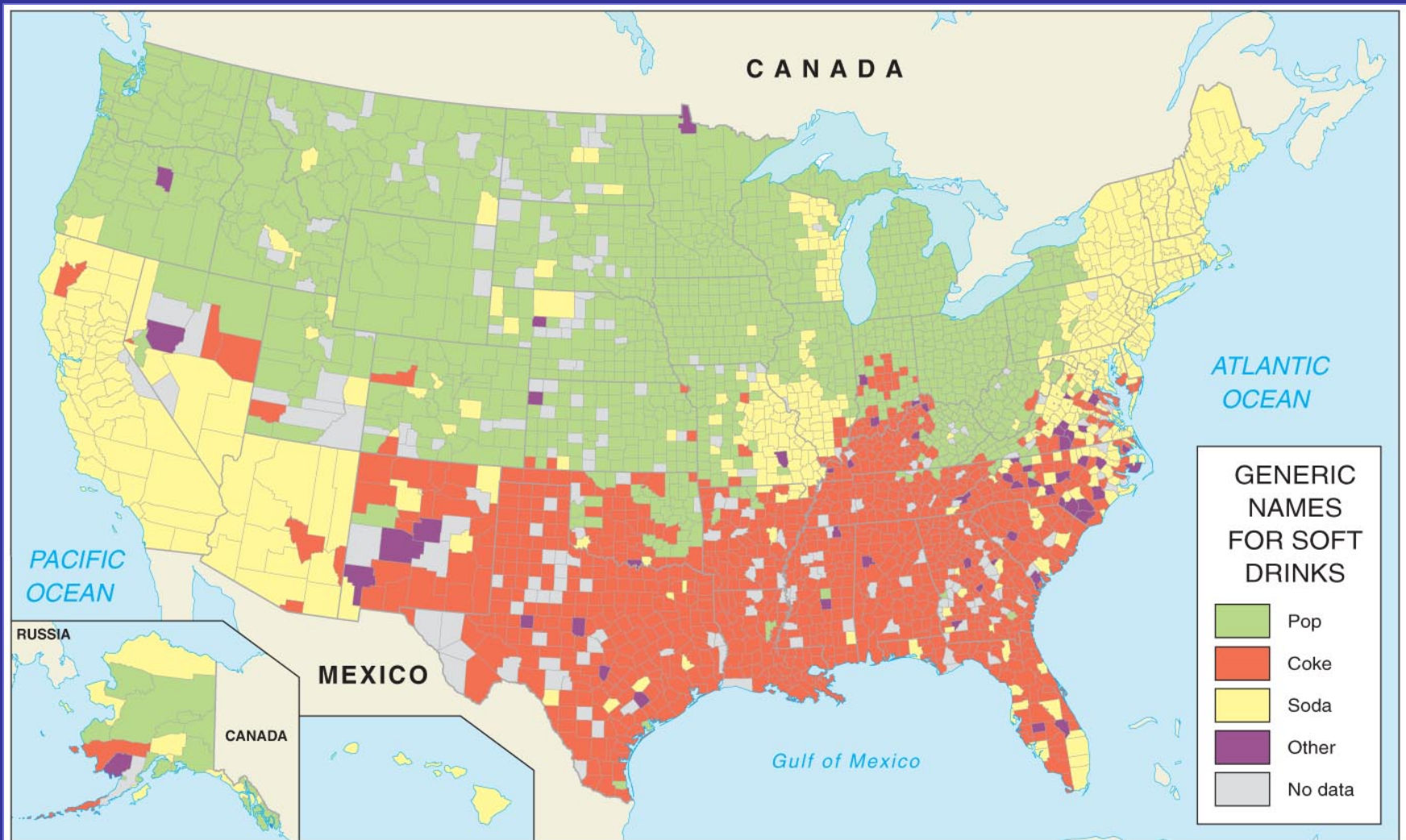
- Dialects of English
 - *Dialects in the United States*
 - Settlement in the eastern United States
 - Current differences in the eastern United States
 - » Pronunciation differences

Dialects in the Eastern U. S.



Hans Kurath divided the eastern U.S. into three dialect regions, whose distribution is similar to that of house types.

Soft Drink Differences



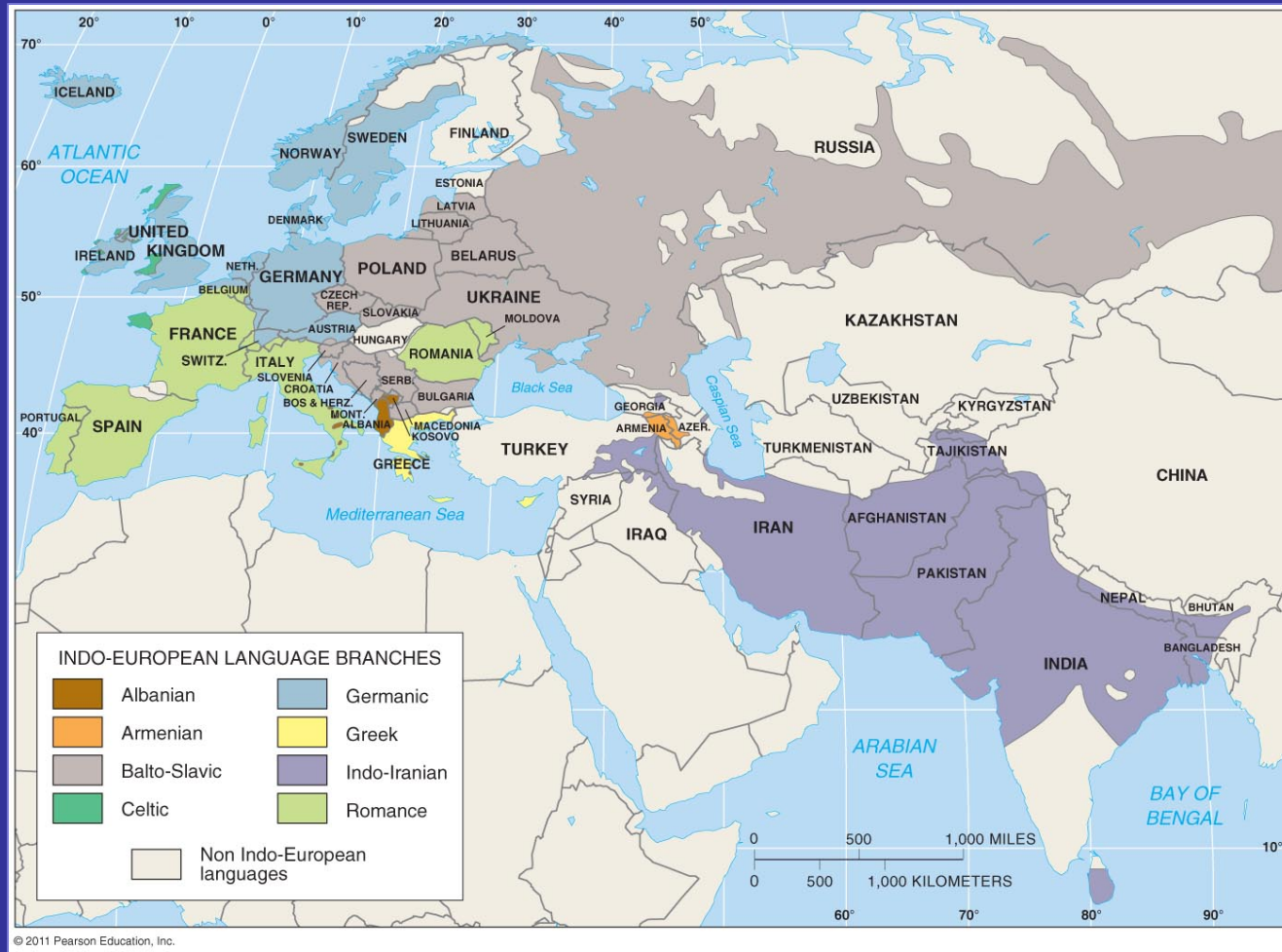
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Looking at language usage.

Why Is English Related to Other Languages?

- Indo-European branches
 - *Language branch = collected of related languages*
 - *Indo-European = eight branches*
 - Four branches have a large number of speakers:
 - Germanic
 - Indo-Iranian
 - Balto-Slavic
 - Romance

Branches of the Indo-European Family

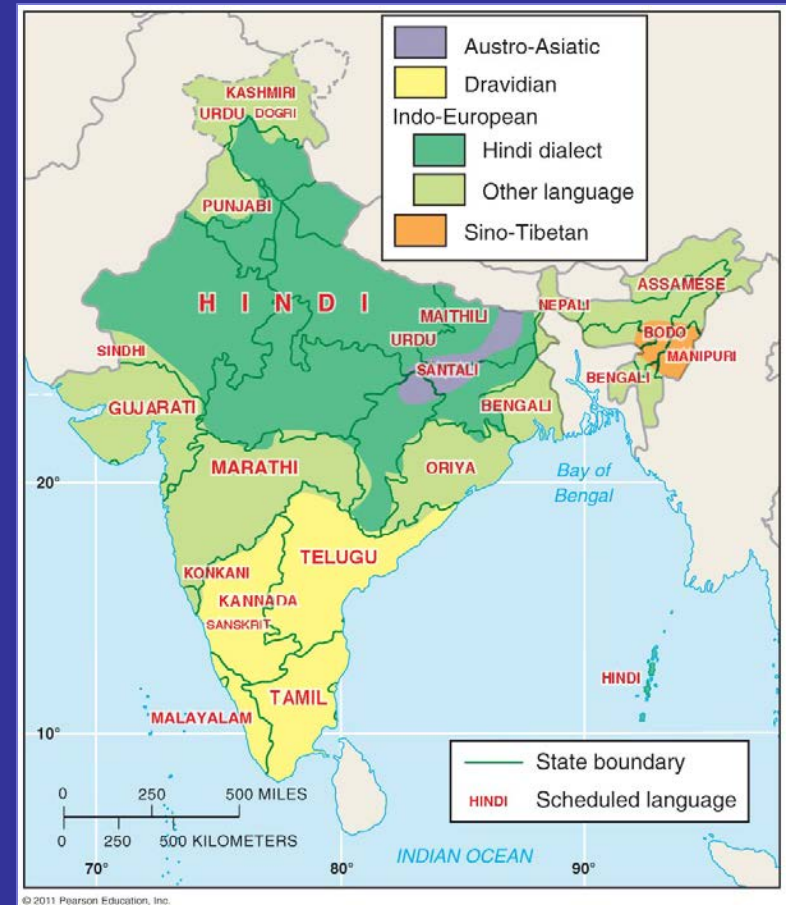


The main branches of the Indo-European language family include Germanic, Romance, Balto-Slavic, and Indo-Iranian.

Linguistic Differences in Europe and India

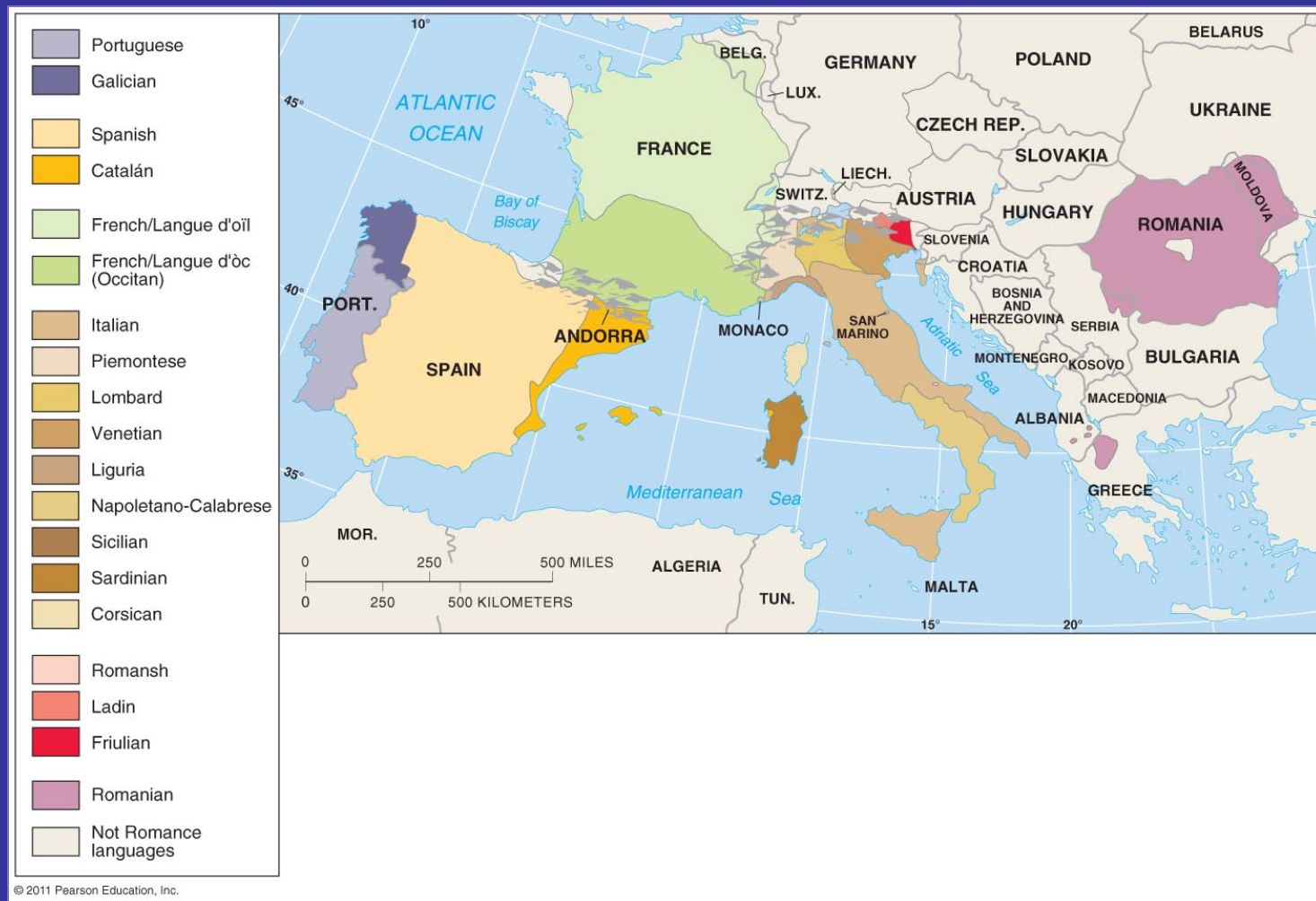


The Germanic branch today is divided into North and West Germanic groups. English is in the West Germanic group.



Indo-European is the largest of four main language families in South Asia. The country of India has 18 official languages.

Romance Branch of Indo-European

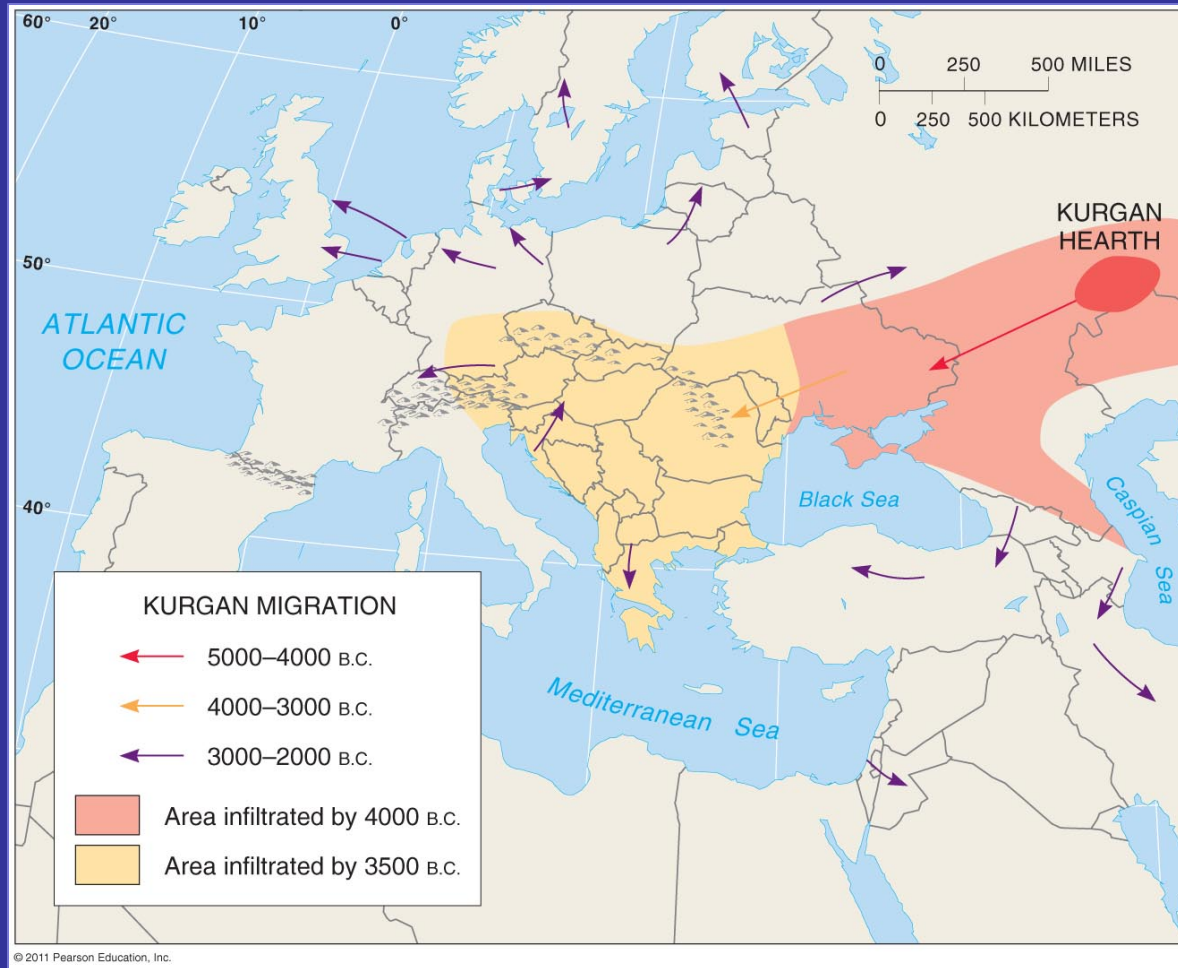


The Romance branch includes three of the world's 12 most widely spoken languages (Spanish, French, and Portuguese), as well as a number of smaller languages and dialects.

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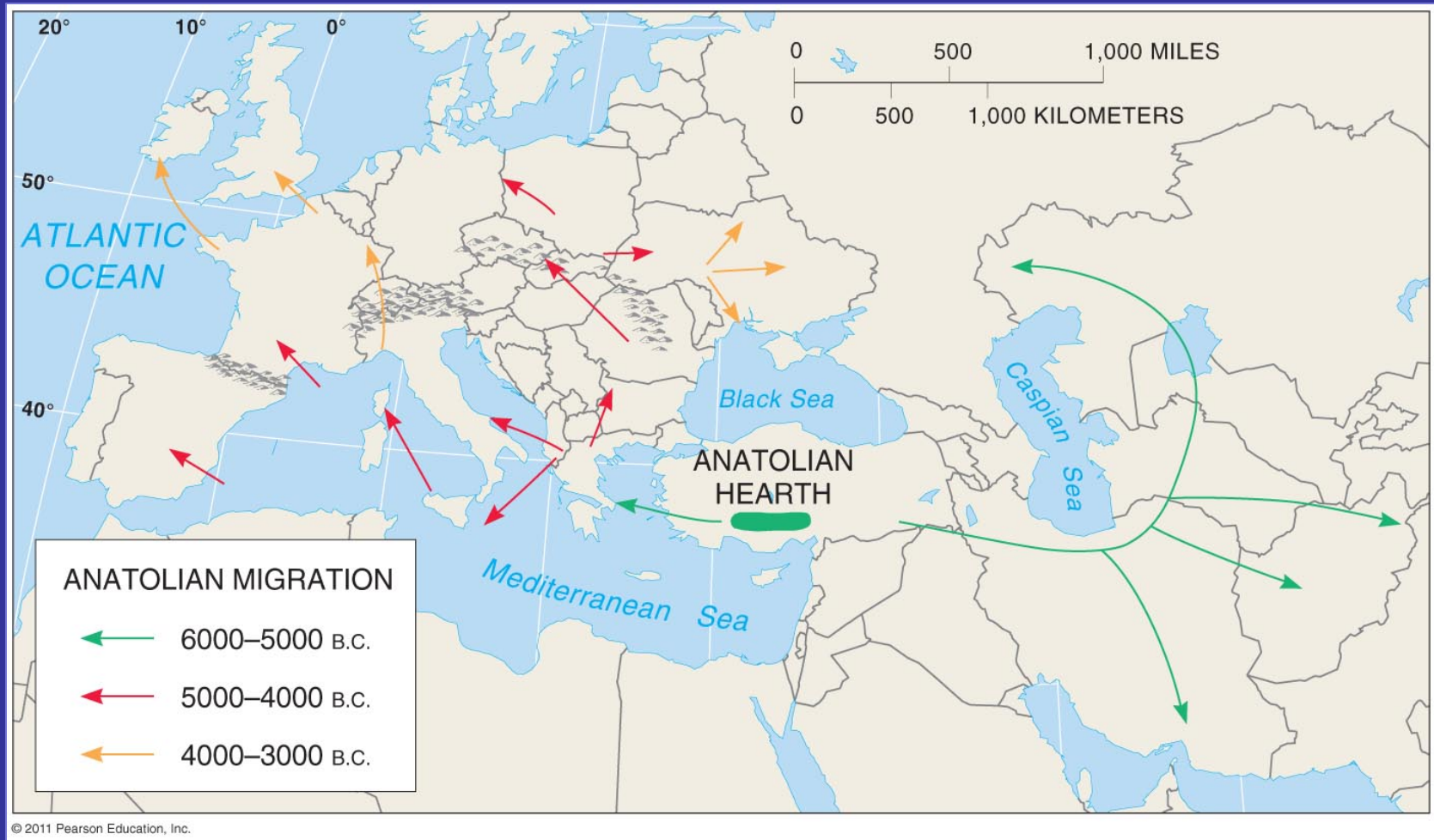
- Origin and diffusion of Indo-European
 - A *“Proto-Indo-European”* language?
 - Internal evidence
 - Nomadic warrior theory
 - Sedentary farmer theory

Nomadic Warrior Theory



In the Kurgan theory, Proto-Indo-European diffused from the Kurgan hearth north of the Caspian Sea, beginning about 7,000 years ago.

Sedentary Farmer Theory

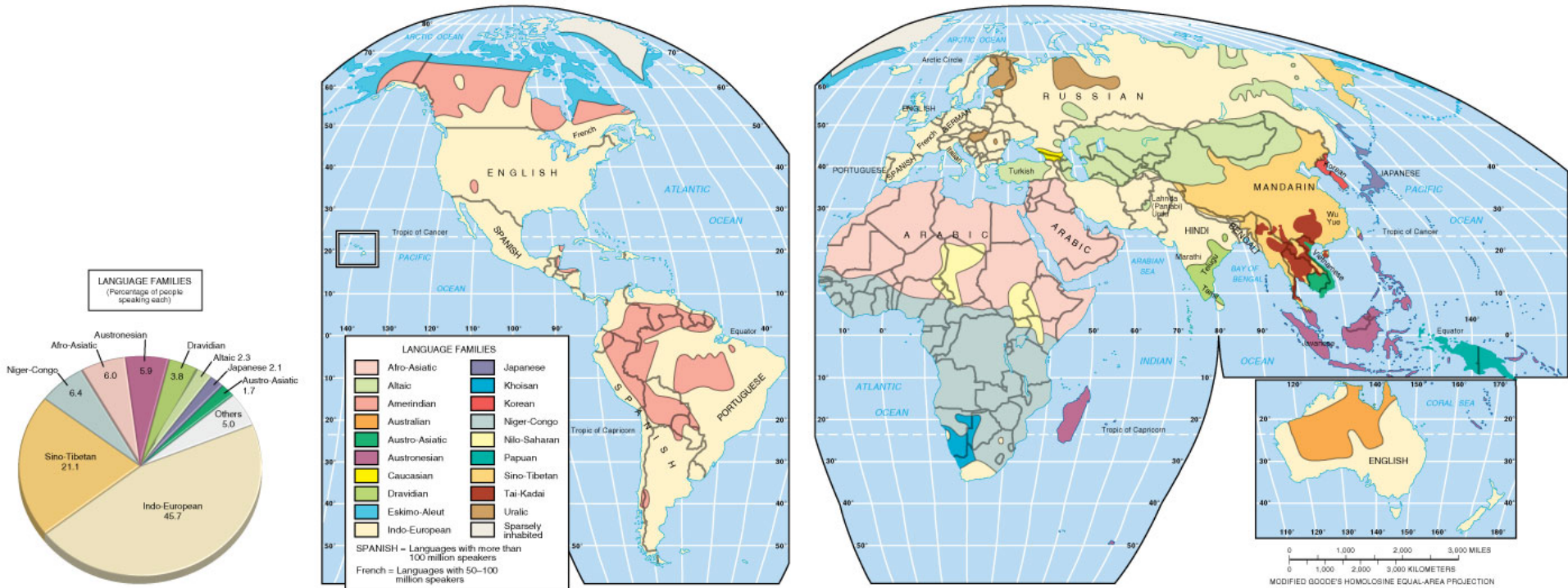


In the Anatolian hearth theory, Indo-European originated in Turkey before the Kurgans and diffused through agricultural expansion.

Why Do Individual Languages Vary among Places?

- Classification of languages
 - *Indo-European = the largest language family*
 - 46 percent of the world's population speaks an Indo-European language
 - *Sino-Tibetan = the second-largest language family*
 - 21 percent of the world's population speaks a Sino-Tibetan language
 - Mandarin = the most used language in the world

Language Families of the World



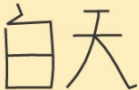
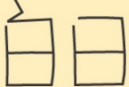
Distribution of the world's main language families. Languages with more than 100 million speakers are named.

The percentage of world population speaking each of the main language families. Indo-European and Sino-Tibetan together represent almost 75% of the world's people.

Chinese Ideograms

From basic characters:

	
Sun	Person

	White, clear (Sun peeping out)
	Big (person with arms extended)
	Heaven (above the biggest person)
	White person
	Daytime (clear and heaven)
	Daytime (clear and Sun)

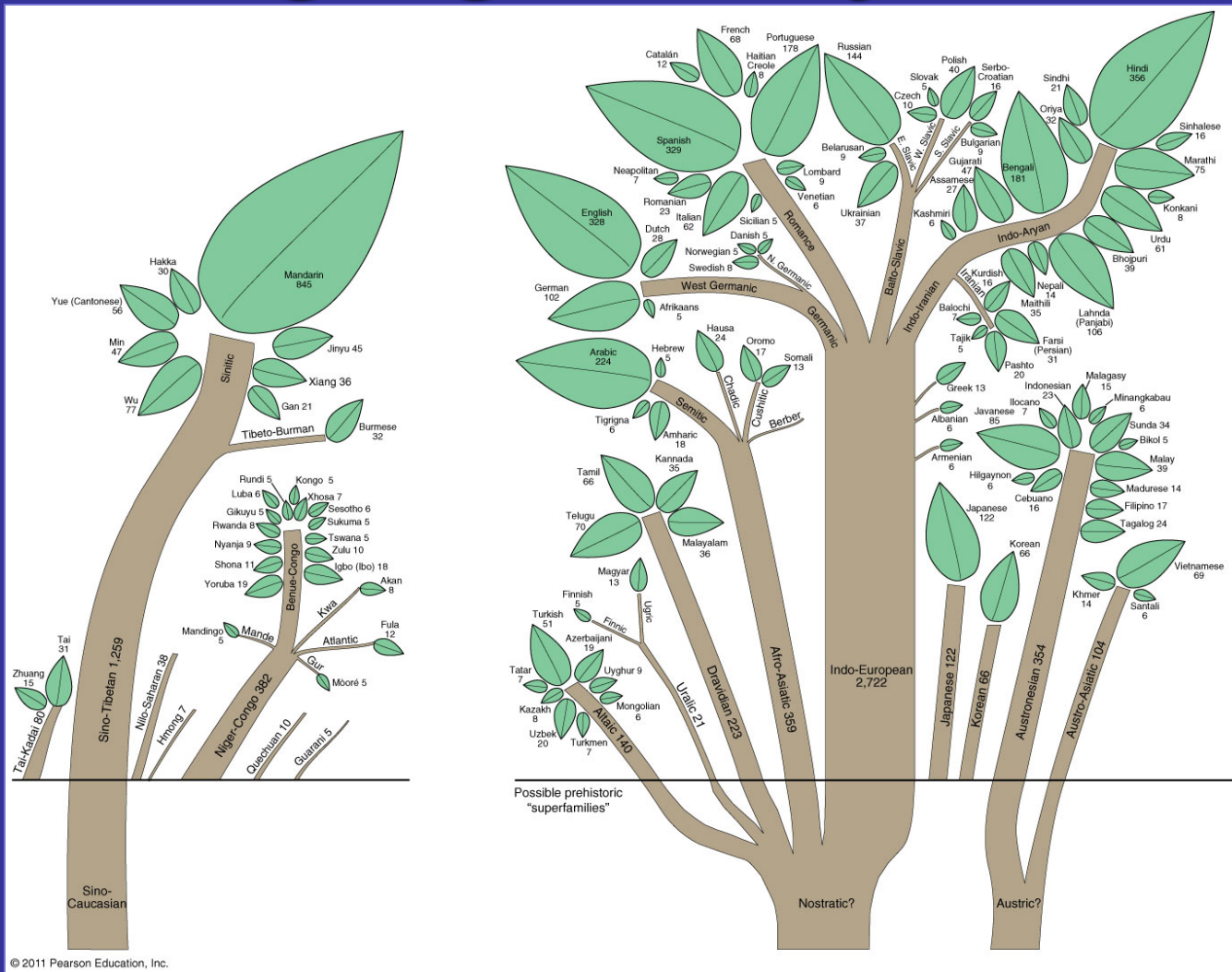
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Chinese language ideograms mostly represent concepts rather than sounds. The two basic characters at the top can be built into more complex words.

Where Are Other Language Families Distributed?

- Languages of the Middle East and Central Asia
 - *Afro-Asiatic*
 - Arabic = most widely spoken
 - *Altaic*
 - Turkish = most widely spoken
 - *Uralic*
 - Estonian, Hungarian, and Finnish

Language Family Trees



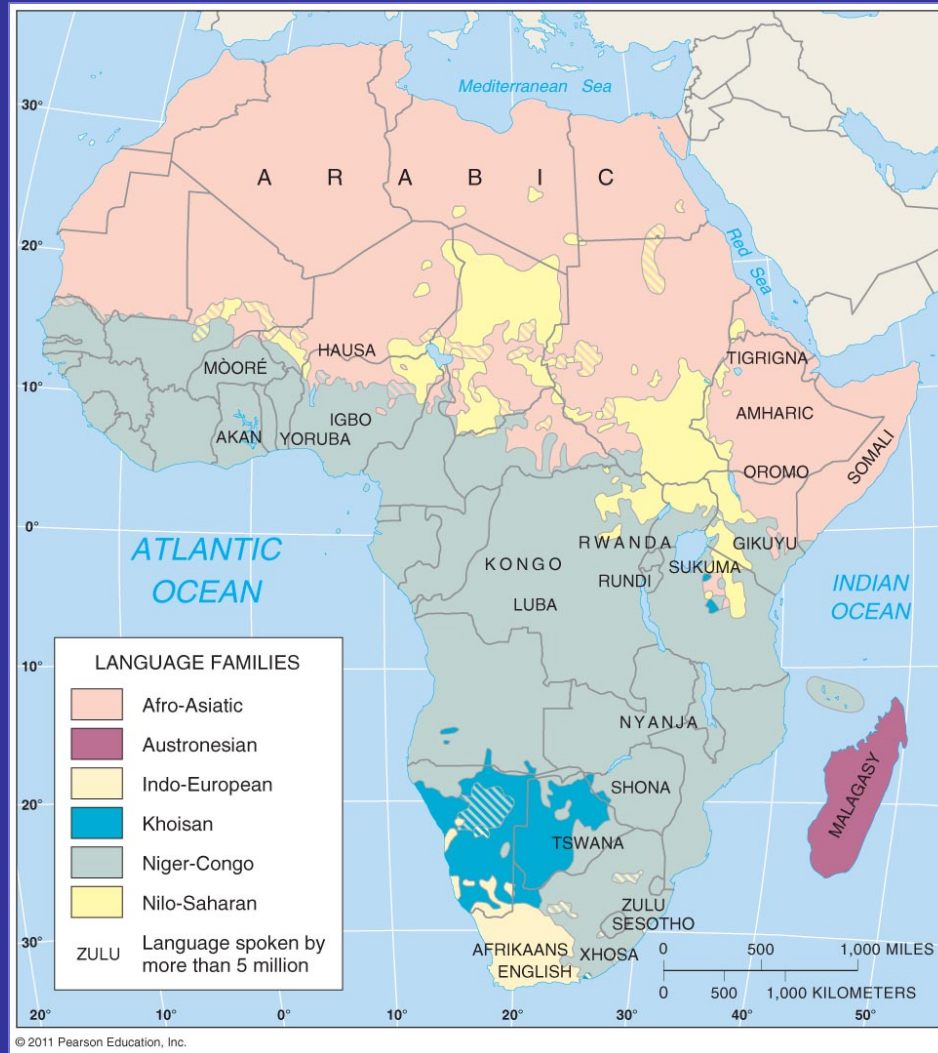
Family trees and estimated numbers of speakers for the main world language families.

Where Are Other Language Families Distributed?

- African language families
 - *Extensive linguistic diversity*
 - 1,000 distinct languages + thousands of dialects
 - *Niger-Congo*
 - 95 percent of sub-Saharan Africans speak a Niger-Congo language
 - *Nilo-Saharan*
 - *Khoisan*
 - “Click” languages

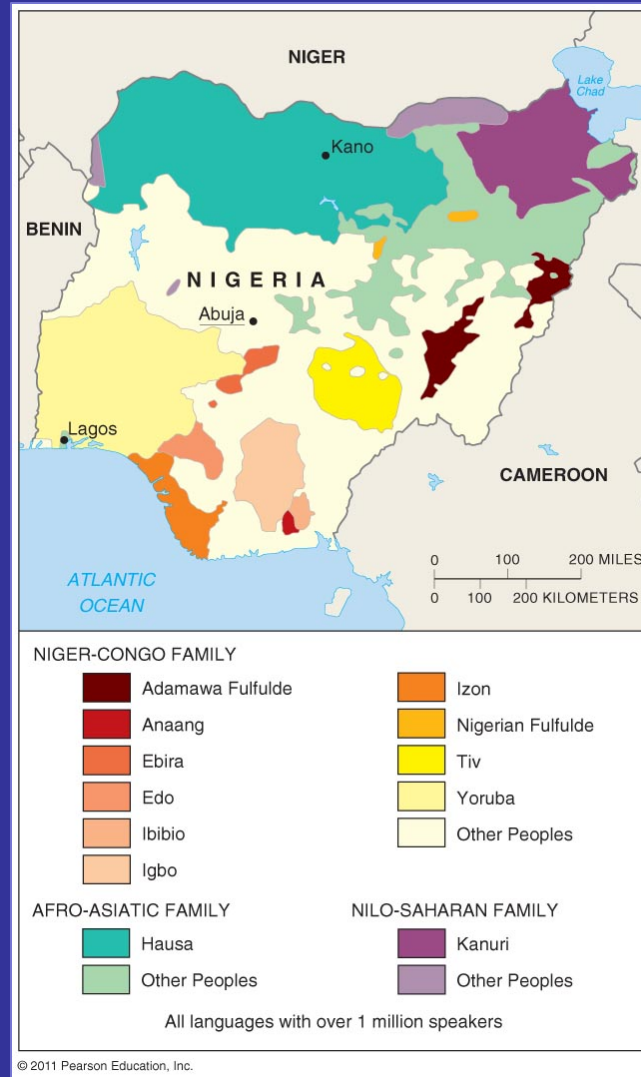
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Language Families of Africa



The 1,000 or more languages of Africa are divided among five main language families, including Austronesian languages in Madagascar.

Languages of Nigeria



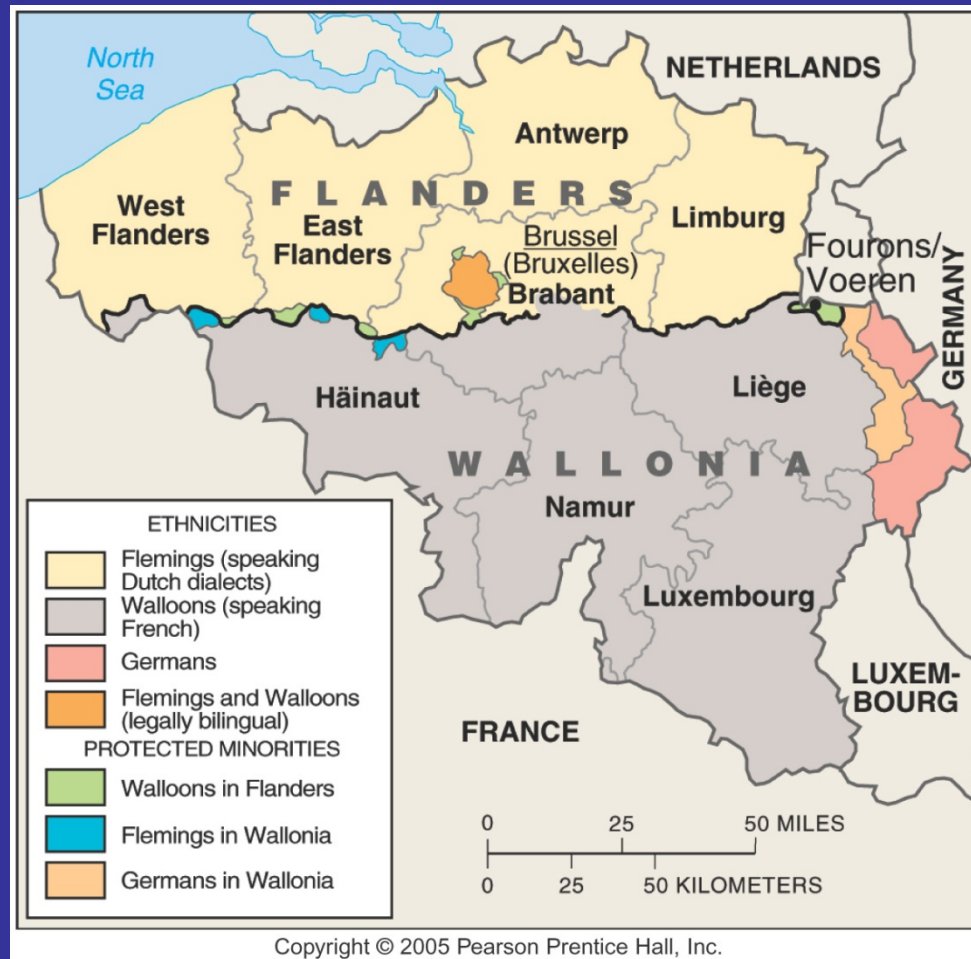
More than 200 languages are spoken in Nigeria, the largest country in Africa (by population). English, considered neutral, is the official language.

Why Do People Preserve Local Languages?

- Preserving language diversity
 - *Extinct languages*
 - 473 “endangered” languages today
 - *Examples*
 - Reviving extinct languages: Hebrew
 - Preserving endangered languages: Celtic
 - *Multilingual states*
 - Walloons and Flemings in Belgium
 - *Isolated languages*
 - Basque
 - Icelandic

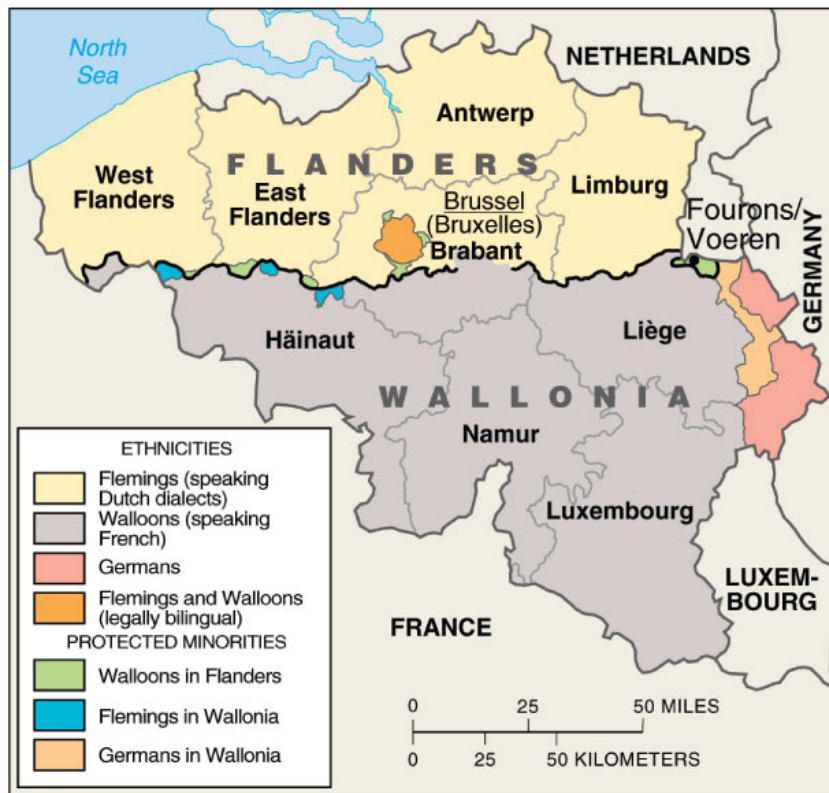
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Language Divisions in Belgium



There has been much tension in Belgium between Flemings, who live in the north and speak Flemish, a Dutch dialect, and Walloons, who live in the south and speak French.

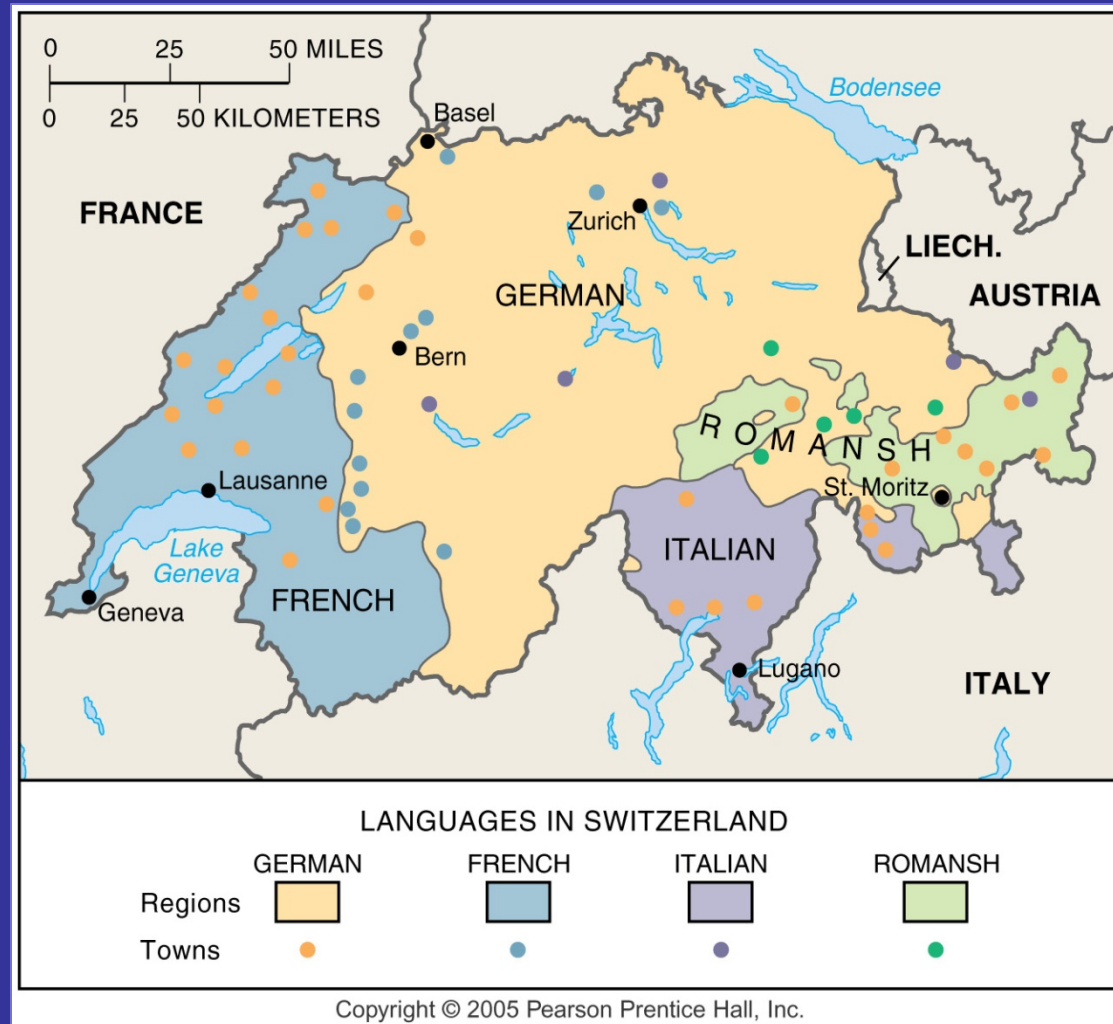
Languages in Belgium



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Language Areas in Switzerland



Switzerland remains peaceful with four official languages and a decentralized government structure.

Why Do People Preserve Local Languages?

- Global dominance of English
 - *English: An example of a lingua franca*
 - Lingua franca = an international language
 - Pidgin language = a simplified version of a language
 - Expansion diffusion of English
 - Ebonics

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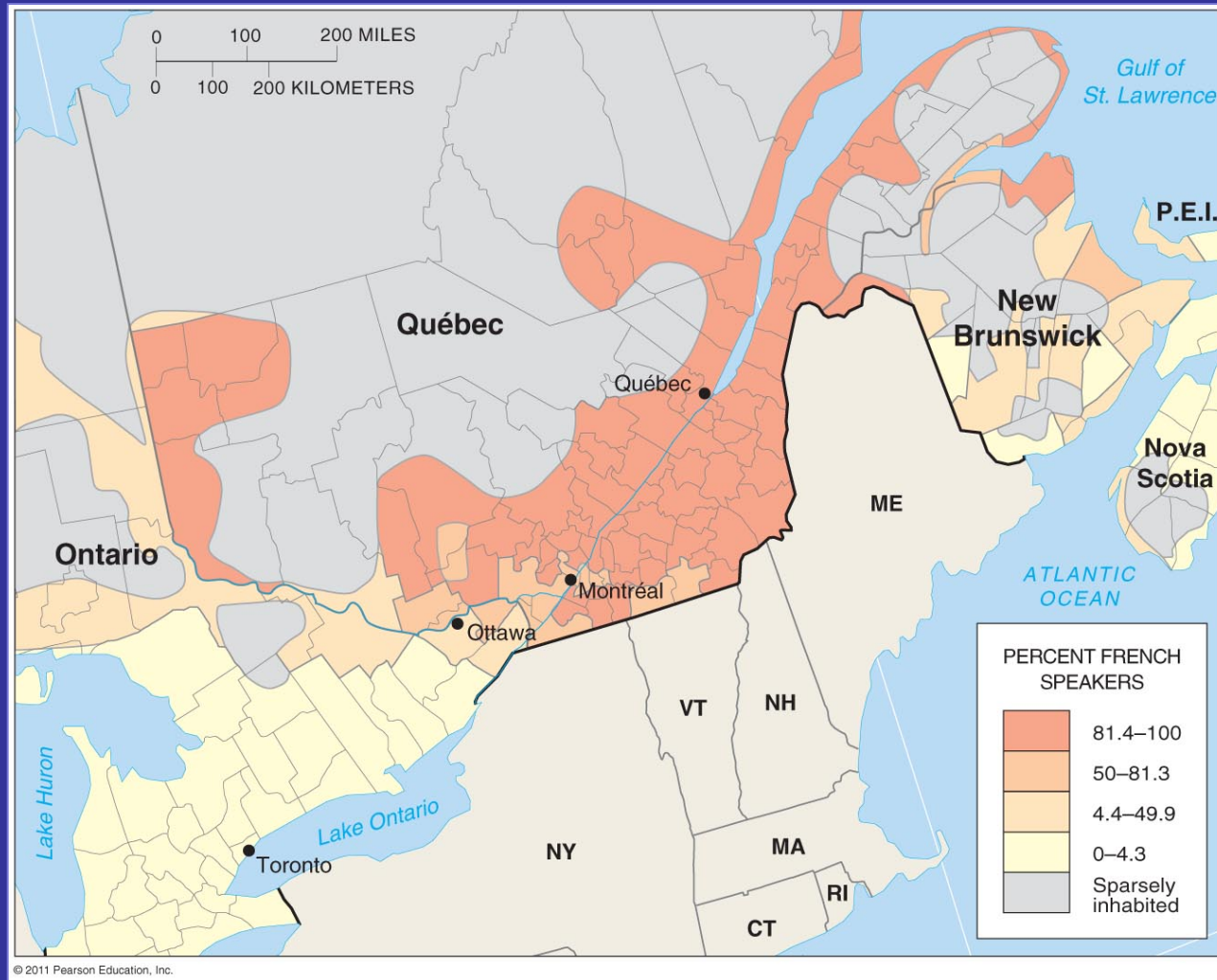
Pidgin Language - Hawaii

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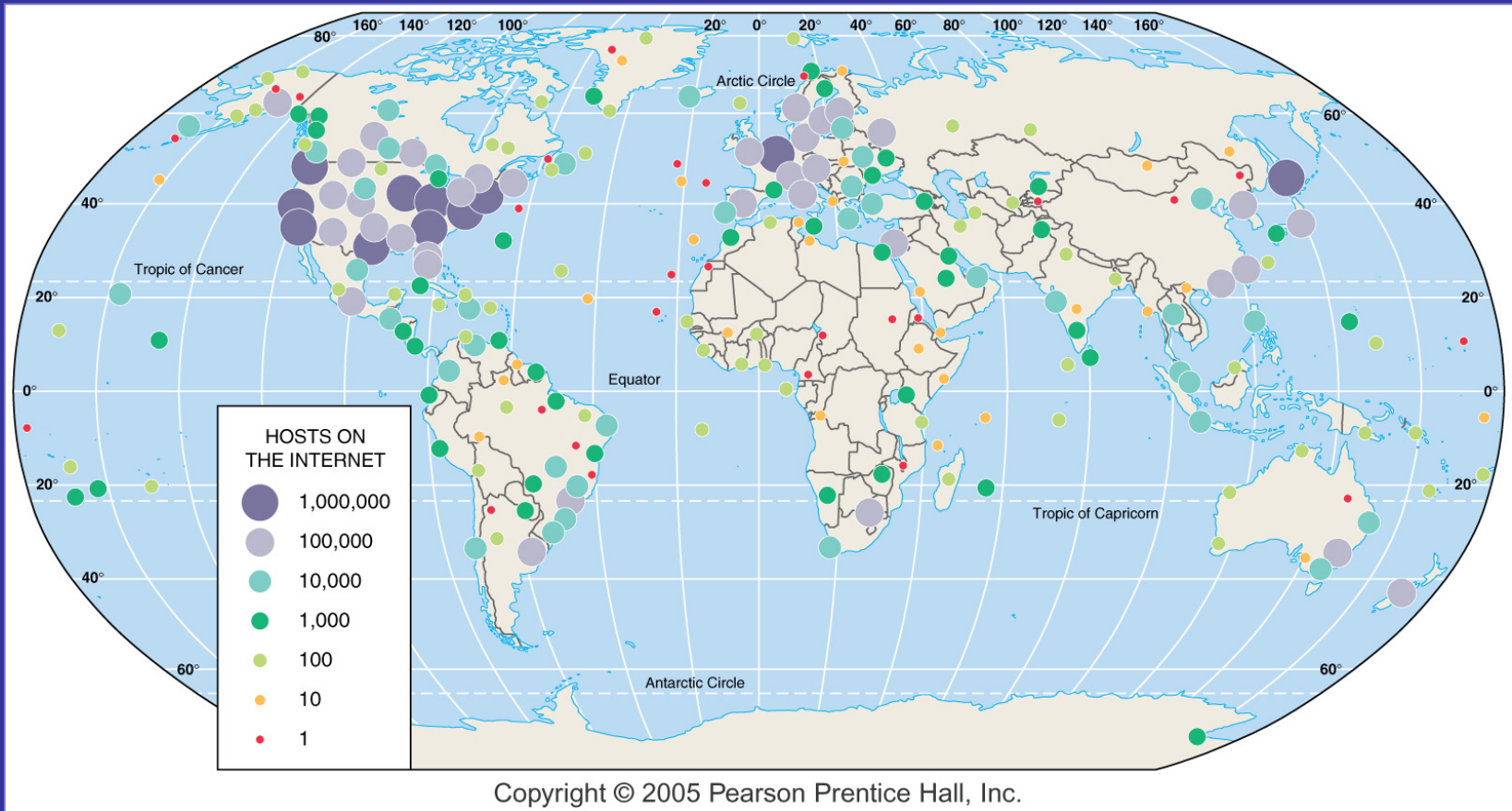
- Global dominance of English
 - *Diffusion to other languages*
 - Franglais
 - *The French Academy (1635) = the supreme arbiter of the French language*
 - Spanglish
 - Denglish (English spelling)
 - *Denglisch* (German spelling) is a portmanteau of the German words *Deutsch* and *Englisch*. Used in all German-speaking countries, it describes an influx of English, or pseudo-English, vocabulary into the German language through travel and widespread usage of English in advertising, business and information technology.
 - English words within Denglisch will have a flexion added to them, so they can be conjugated (or declined) in the same manner as German words. EX: *neu booten* / *rebooten* (reboot)

French-English Boundary in Canada



Although Canada is bilingual, French speakers are concentrated in the province of Québec, where 80% of the population speaks French.

Internet Hosts



A large proportion of the world's internet users and hosts are in the developed countries of North America and western Europe.

Hi. 😊🐱😜
I love you! 😘💕🌹
Want to grab dinner tonight?



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