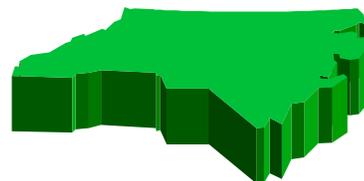# North Carolina Salt Dough Map
Social Studies Project

Due Date: Thursday, January 8th

Materials: Large piece of cardboard, heavy poster board, or thin piece of wood
Several cups of salt
Several cups of flour
Food coloring
Water

Directions:
1. On large cardboard or poster board, draw an outline of the state of North Carolina. Divide the state into the 3 regions we have studied (Mountains, Piedmont, Coastal Plains).
2. Mix salt and flour using **2 parts salt to 1 part flour.**
3. Stir in enough water to make a smooth heavy paste.
4. Divide the paste into 3 parts.
5. Add a different color food coloring to each part.
6. Place dough onto the outline to form a relief map of North Carolina s 3 regions.
7. Include a color·coded map key of the regions.

Details (optional but will improve grade):
• Paint and label rivers and lakes in North Carolina. Paint and label any other important features of North Carolina such as the Outer Banks, Mt. Mitchell, the Fall Line, Jockey s Ridge, etc. (You can use flags for the labels).
• Paint and label the surrounding states.
• Paint and label the Atlantic Ocean.

Hints:
• For a more attractive map, don t put your map directly on bare cardboard. Paint the cardboard or cover it with foil first.
• Use a ruler to measure map and draw to scale (as shown in class). Use one of the maps in your Social Studies books to guide you.
• Print out labels using a computer. Cut them out and glue them down neatly or use them to make flags. (If you don t have a printer you can use the classroom printer as long as you don t wait until the day before the project s due. Sign up several days in advance.)

Grading:
Your Salt Dough Map will be worth **three** Social Studies grades. Your map will be graded for neatness, accuracy of information, inclusion of details, and completion of project according to directions.

Parents are encouraged to help and contribute to the project, however the majority of the work and responsibility is up to you!