Divide Europe from Asia:

a physical/cultural construct
Eurasia
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Along the Ural Mountains to the Caspian Sea
Across the Caucasus Mountains to the Black Sea
From the Black Sea, through the Bosporus Strait, and around Turkey into the Aegean Sea.
The Bosporus Strait - between the Black Sea and the Aegean Sea
Around Turkey, into the Mediterranean Sea, leaving the island of Cyprus in Europe
A small part of Turkey lies on the European side. It contains the city of Istanbul.
Whose islands?

• The islands in the Aegean Sea and the Mediterranean Sea along Turkey’s western and southern coasts belong to Greece, a European country.

• In the Mediterranean Sea, the island of Cyprus belongs partially to Greece and partially to Turkey. Because of its Greek heritage, we leave it in the European side of the division.
Finally, out of the Mediterranean Sea through the Suez Canal, and into the Red Sea
The Suez Canal links Asia and Europe from the Mediterranean through the Red Sea and into the Indian Ocean.

Although most of Egypt is in Africa, the Sinai Peninsula lies in Asia.
1. Ural Mtns
2. Caspian Sea
3. Caucasus Mtns
4. Black Sea
5. Around Turkey
6. Cyprus in Europe
7. Suez Canal
8. Red Sea
Russia

- The Western part is in Europe
  - Moscow - capital
  - Most ethnic Russians
  - Most of the population

- The Eastern part is in Asia
  - Siberia
  - Many minority peoples
  - Sparsely populated
Asian Russia

European
A divided nation

- Two very different world-views
  - One focused on the West
    - Western art, philosophy, and learning
    - Peter the Great and Catherine the Great
    - Urban, sophisticated
    - Trade with Europe
  - One focused on the East
    - Eastern connections and trade
    - Siberia as wasteland, foreign to Muscovites
    - Mining in the Urals and beyond – vast resources
World Outline Map
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