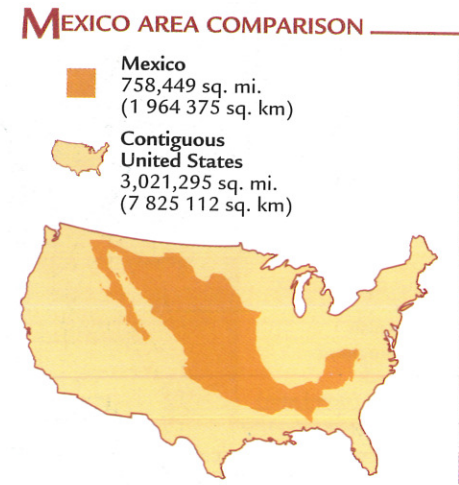
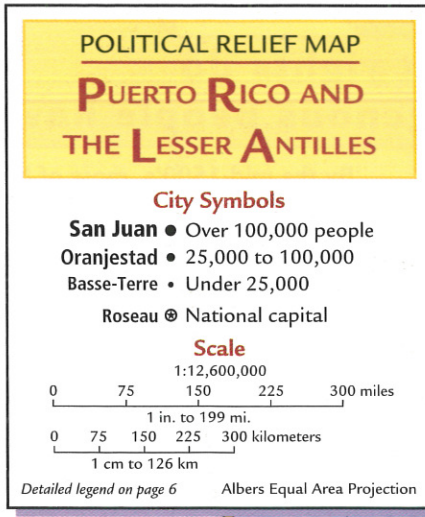


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**Not Quite Equal**  
 Puerto Rico is a self-governing commonwealth of the United States. Puerto Ricans are U.S. citizens and are subject to most federal laws. Puerto Rico has its own constitution, elects its own governor, and handles its own local affairs like a state. However, Puerto Ricans cannot vote in presidential or congressional elections and do not pay federal taxes.



A quinceañera is a traditional celebration for 15-year-old girls in Mexico and other Latin American countries, marking their passage into womanhood. The day of the quinceañera often begins with a mass and concludes with a formal dinner and dance.

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