Geography: Then and Now

Look at this map from Peter Parley’s Geography for Beginners, 1847. Then compare it with the map of the United States today.
Answer the following questions based on the maps above.

1. Take a quick look at both maps.
   What do you see is the same? **answers vary: state names, Gulf of Mexico, Atlantic Ocean**
   
   What is different? **Color map vs. Black and white, the rest of the United States, Canada and Canadian territories, Pacific Ocean, Mexico**

2. In the page from the 1847 textbook, what does settled mean when talking about land?
   It means populated. Enough people lived there to be considered settled. Local government was in place, and the state boundaries were set.
3. What part of the United States was considered settled in 1847?
    Just the Eastern part of the country

4. How many states are there in 1847? 26____ How many are there now? __50__

5. How many Regions or Divisions of the US were there in 1847?
    __4 New England, Middle, Southern, Western____

6. Can you name some of the regions of the United States now?
    ____North, South, East, and West but also broken down into
    Northeastern, New England, Mid-Atlantic, Southern, Western,
    Mid-Western, Southwestern, _____________

7. What states are listed as Western States?
    ____Tennessee, Missouri, Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan,
    Arkansas______________________

8. What states do we consider Western now?
    ______California, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, Idaho, Montana,
    etc. ______
9. Look at the 1847 map. What country is listed above the map?

_______ British America, West Canada ____________________________

10. What is the country called on the modern map?

_______ Canada ____________________________