RACE AROUND THE WORLD

You have just entered a race around the world. The rules of the race are very simple:

- you must start and finish in Vancouver.
- you must visit one major city (marked) on each continent except Antarctica.
- Vancouver does not count as your North American city.
- Your airline ticket only allows you to travel east.

Your goal is to get back to Vancouver in the shortest amount of time.

To help you calculate your time please keep these simple rules in mind:

- flight paths can be seen as straight lines between cities.
- 1 cm of travel on the map takes an airplane 2 hours to fly.
- airplanes depart each city on every even hour local time. That is, they leave at 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, ...
- the dotted vertical lines on the map are time zones. Every time you cross one of these lines while travelling east you should advance your clock by one hour.

Good luck – and may the best team win.