

Section 3: Resources and Land Use
Africa: Physical Geography

Guided Reading and Review

A. As You Read

Directions: As you read Section 3, answer the following questions in the spaces provided.

1. Why is much of the land in Africa difficult to farm?

2. What crops do subsistence farmers in North Africa raise?

3. What crops are farmers able to grow in regions with more rainfall?

4. What is one effect of increased planting of cash crops?

5. Why are a number of African countries planting thousands of trees?

6. Which countries are the major oil producers in Africa?

7. What are some of the mineral resources in Africa?

B. Reviewing Key Terms

Directions: Write the definitions for the following key terms in the blanks provided.

8. subsistence farming

9. cash crop

10. economy

11. diversify

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Directions: Define each of the following terms. Write your definitions on the back of this page.

1. diversify
2. cash crop
3. economy
4. subsistence farming

B. Main Ideas

Directions: Write the letter of the correct answer in each blank.

- _____ 5. Most of Africa's farmland is used for
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| a. cash crops. | c. large plantations. |
| b. subsistence farming. | d. planting hardwood trees. |
- _____ 6. Where in Africa do hardwood trees grow?
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| a. only in East Africa | c. only by the Nile |
| b. only in Central and Southern Africa | d. in all four regions of Africa |
- _____ 7. What happens in some African regions when cash crops fail?
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| a. There are more jobs in manufacturing. | c. There are food shortages. |
| b. There are enough imports to help people survive. | d. There are enough subsistence farms to produce food for the people. |
- _____ 8. Libya, Algeria, Nigeria, Cameroon, Gabon, and Angola are major producers of
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| a. gold. | c. diamonds. |
| b. copper. | d. petroleum. |
- _____ 9. Most of Africa's workers make a living
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| a. in manufacturing. | c. in trade. |
| b. by harvesting trees. | d. by farming. |
- _____ 10. In order to protect themselves in an uncertain world economy, many African countries are working to
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| a. import all of their manufactured goods. | c. borrow money from each other. |
| b. diversify their economies. | d. produce only one important cash crop. |