

North Africa

Chapter Review

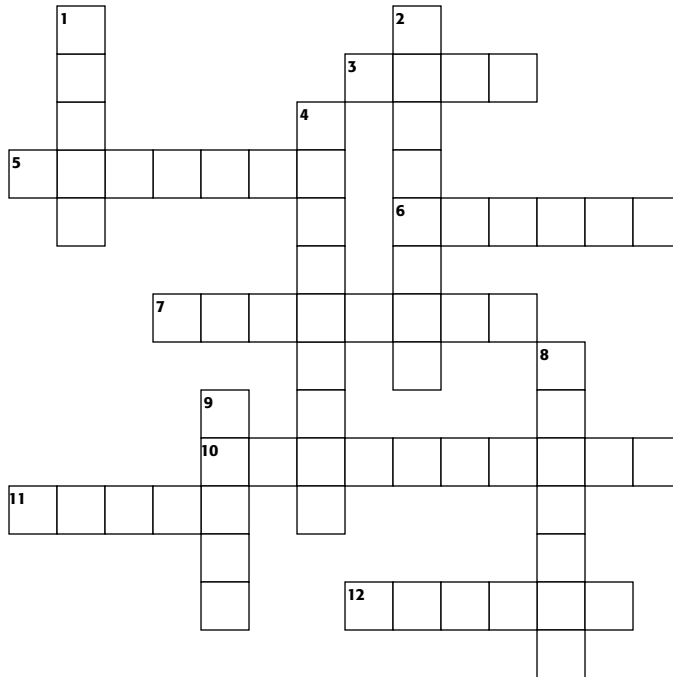


BIG IDEAS

1. North Africa is a dry region with limited water resources.
2. North Africa is rich in history and Islamic culture.
3. Many people of North Africa are farmers, and oil is an important resource.

REVIEWING VOCABULARY, TERMS, AND PLACES

Use the clues provided to fill in the crossword puzzle below.



Across

3. finely ground soil ideal for growing crops
5. capital of Libya
6. language spoken by most North Africans
7. Egyptian kings
10. city founded in Egypt in 332 BC by Alexander the Great
11. marketplaces found in the Casbah of Algiers
12. huge desert that covers much of North Africa

Down

1. Egypt's capital and largest city
2. someone who rules with complete power
4. the world's longest river
8. ancient people who lived in North Africa before Arabs settled there
9. desert area where one can find a natural spring or well

COMPREHENSION AND CRITICAL THINKING

Read each of the following pairs of sentences, and cross out the **FALSE** sentence.

1. **a.** Built by the French in the 1860s, the Suez Canal connects the Mediterranean Sea with the Red Sea.
b. Built by the French in the 1860s, the Suez Canal connects the Atlantic Ocean with the Red Sea.
2. **a.** Few people live in the Sahara because it is so dry.
b. Many people live in the Sahara because the summers are mild and moist.
3. **a.** The Aswan High Dam allows silt to be carried downriver where farmers use it for growing crops.
b. The Aswan High Dam provides electricity and controls flooding along the Nile River.
4. **a.** Early Egyptians built great pyramids to bury pharaohs.
b. Early Egyptians built great pyramids to use as trading centers.
5. **a.** Today most North Africans speak Italian and practice Catholicism.
b. Today most North Africans speak Arabic and practice Islam.
6. **a.** In North Africa the conflict over the role of Islam in the government has led to violence.
b. In North Africa there is little or no conflict about the role of Islam in the government.

REVIEWING THEMES

Determine what theme from geography the lists below have in common.

Themes

| location | place | regions | human-environment interaction | movement |
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_____ 1. Suez Canal, Aswan High Dam, oil exports

_____ 2. Sahara, oasis, sand dunes

REVIEW ACTIVITY: JOURNAL ENTRY

Imagine that you are an adventurer taking a trip across the Sahara Desert. Write a fictional journal entry that gives details about your trip. Talk about how you get around, what you wear, and what you see along the way.