

Guided Reading Activity

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East Africa

Lesson 1 *Physical Geography of East Africa*

Essential Question: How does geography influence the way people live?

Land and Water Features

Directions: Use your textbook to identify the important landforms and bodies of water in East Africa.

1. _____ a system of large valleys formed by faults that runs north to south for 4,000 miles through East Africa
2. _____ the main branch of the Great Rift system that runs through Ethiopia, Kenya, and Tanzania
3. _____ the branch of the Great Rift system that traces an arc south from the Ethiopian highlands
4. _____ a volcano that is also the tallest mountain in Africa
5. _____ the mountain range that divides Uganda from the Democratic Republic of Congo
6. _____ the longest river in the world
7. _____ the swampy wetlands in South Sudan that was the focus of the Jonglei Canal project in the late 1970s
8. _____ the largest lake in Africa and the second-largest freshwater lake in the world
9. _____ a lake that lies on the boundary between Tanzania and the Democratic Republic of Congo that is the second-deepest lake in the world
10. _____ the third-largest of the East African Rift Valley lakes that forms the boundaries between Malawi, Tanzania, and Mozambique

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Directions: As you read the section, answer these questions about the climates in East Africa.

1. Which countries in East Africa have high temperatures for much of the year?

2. Which countries have highlands with a spring-like climate year-round?

3. Which two countries have two rainy seasons, the "long rains" of April and May and the "short rains" of October and November?

4. Which country suffered one of the worst droughts in its history in 2011?

5. What two countries have experienced desertification over the past 50 years?

Resources of East Africa

Directions: Complete the lists of natural resources found in East Africa.

Mineral Resources

Energy Resources

Wildlife
