

Attachment G: Sample Assessment Items

NOTE: A map requiring students to locate countries, rivers, lakes, cities, oceans, mountains and deserts should be included.

<p>1. The Crimean Peninsula has a _____ climate that is suitable for growing citrus fruits, winter grains, and vegetables. A Mediterranean * B Tundra C Highland D Subarctic</p> <p>2. In Russia, most people who practice a religion belong to the A Catholic Church. B Protestant faith. C Orthodox Church. * D Muslim faith.</p> <p>3. Russia and Central Asia cover almost _____ of all the land on the Earth. A 1/2 B 1/3 C 1/6 * D 1/4</p> <p>4. In the sub-arctic region of Russia, snow is common for _____ months a year. A 6 B 8 * C 10 D 12</p> <p>5. The largest forest region in the world is the A coniferous forests (taiga) of Russia. * B The Black Forest of Europe. C The Brazilian tropical rain forest. D tundra of Russia.</p> <p>6. The pollution crisis in the former Soviet Union and central Asia was caused by A government neglect of the environment. * B focus on production of consumer goods. C government overspending. D focus on developing a market economy.</p> <p>7. The border between Europe and Asia is formed by the A Carpathian Mountains. B Ural Mountains. * C Pamir Mountains. D Yenisei River.</p>	<p>8. The largest country in Asia is A Belarus. B Russia. * C Ukraine. D Georgia.</p> <p>9. Chernobyl is the site of A the beginning of the Bolshevik revolution in 1917. B the eastern-most city on the Trans-Siberian Railroad. C a nuclear reactor accident in 1986. * D Lenin's birthplace.</p> <p>10. The fortress that houses the government of Russia is A St. Basil's Cathedral. B The Kremlin. * C Gorky Park. D Siberia.</p> <p>11. A religious painting found in the homes of members of the Russian Orthodox Church is A a crucifix. B an icon. * C a cross. D a mural.</p> <p>12. The religious building in Red Square with nine colorful domes is A the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. B the Dome of the Rock. C the Church of the Annunciation. D St. Basil's Cathedral. *</p> <p>13. In a command economy A the government makes all decisions regarding the manufacture, sales, and distribution of products. * B the supply and demand of the consumers determines what is bought and sold. C Individuals make all decisions regarding the manufacture, sales, and distribution of products. D Foreign governments make all decisions regarding the manufacture, sales, and distribution of products.</p> <p>14. In a market economy</p>
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	<p>A the government makes all decisions regarding the manufacture, sales, and distribution of products.</p> <p>B the supply and demand of the consumers determines what is bought and sold. *</p> <p>C Individuals can operate their own businesses but profits go to the government.</p> <p>D Foreign governments run the businesses.</p>
<p>15. The major means of travel in Russia and Eurasia is</p> <p>A the airplane.</p> <p>B ships and boats.</p> <p>C the automobile.</p> <p>D trains and metros. *</p> <p>16. Which statement best describes the main problem Russia experiences in transporting goods?</p> <p>A Many rivers and harbors freeze over in the winter and make travel almost impossible. *</p> <p>B There are no railroads that provide access to Siberia.</p> <p>C The warm climate of northern Siberia causes flooding in the winter.</p> <p>D Due to heavy pollution, ships are not allowed to travel on most rivers.</p>	<p>17. Which statement best describes the climate range in Russian and Central Asia?</p> <p>A Mediterranean and tropical</p> <p>B Marine and tropical</p> <p>C Arctic and Mediterranean</p> <p>D Continental and Arctic *</p> <p>18. The Aral Sea is gradually drying up and becoming a desert (desertification) because</p> <p>A the herders are overgrazing the land.</p> <p>B water is being diverted to irrigate cotton. *</p> <p>C people are cutting down the trees.</p> <p>D the sea is being drained to create farmland.</p>