

## Unit 8: Globalization: Open Gap Fill (B)

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### READING TEXT: FILL IN THE GAPS

The concept of an interconnected global community is no longer just a theory; it is our daily reality. (1)\_\_\_\_\_ chains now connect (2)\_\_\_\_\_ in Europe with factory workers in Asia in a matter of seconds. This (3)\_\_\_\_\_ world offers immense (4)\_\_\_\_\_ for businesses to expand, but it also creates (5)\_\_\_\_\_ for local industries. One major trend is the (6)\_\_\_\_\_ of services, which allows companies to reduce (7)\_\_\_\_\_ by moving (8)\_\_\_\_\_ to regions with lower wages. While this helps the (9)\_\_\_\_\_ of some emerging countries, it can lead to job losses in traditional markets. Cultural (10)\_\_\_\_\_ is another visible result of this process, seen in our (11)\_\_\_\_\_, music, and fashion. However, many people are concerned about the (12)\_\_\_\_\_ of their own cultural (13)\_\_\_\_\_. To tackle global problems like (14)\_\_\_\_\_ warming or pandemics, we need (15)\_\_\_\_\_ solutions rather than nationalistic ones. Improving the (16)\_\_\_\_\_ of life for everyone should be the (17)\_\_\_\_\_ goal of global (18)\_\_\_\_\_. This requires a (19)\_\_\_\_\_ effort from all (20)\_\_\_\_\_ to create a sustainable and just world.

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### SOLUTION KEY

1. Supply
2. consumers
3. interconnected
4. opportunities
5. competition
6. outsourcing
7. costs
8. operations
9. economies
10. hybridization
11. food
12. preservation
13. heritage
14. global
15. coordinated
16. quality
17. primary
18. cooperation
19. collaborative
20. governments