

North America: Text Analysis Worksheet

Name: _____ Date: _____ Class: _____

PART 1: VOCABULARY DEVELOPMENT

Match each term with its definition by writing the correct letter in the blank.

Terms:

1. _____ continent
2. _____ Great Plains
3. _____ Rocky Mountains
4. _____ Great Lakes
5. _____ Mississippi River

Definitions:

- A. One of the Earth's seven main divisions of land
- B. A vast grassland region in central North America
- C. A major mountain range in western North America
- D. A series of interconnected freshwater lakes in northeastern North America
- E. The second-longest river in North America, flowing from Minnesota to the Gulf of Mexico

PART 2: CLOSE READING

Read the passage below about North America. Then answer the questions that follow.

North America is the third-largest continent, extending from the Arctic Circle in the north to the tropics in the south. It encompasses diverse landscapes including mountains, plains, forests, deserts, and tundra. The continent is bordered by the Arctic Ocean to the north, the Atlantic Ocean to the east, the Pacific Ocean to the west, and South America and the Caribbean Sea to the south. North America's physical geography has significantly influenced human settlement patterns and economic development throughout history.

Main Idea:

What is the main idea of this passage? Underline the sentence that best states it.

Supporting Details:

List three supporting details from the passage:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

PART 3: INFORMATIVE WRITING

Using information from the passage and your own knowledge, write an informative paragraph about North

America. Include at least three vocabulary terms from Part 1.

PART 4: REFLECTION

Complete the following sentences:

One new thing I learned about North America is...

One question I still have about North America is...