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## Chapter 13

## Vocabulary Builder

## Northern and Southern Europe

### A. Content Vocabulary

trawlers      homogeneous      tundra      recession      dialects      fjords      welfare capitalism  
Renaissance      pagan      longships      city-states      scrubland      glaciation

*Directions: Select a vocabulary term from the box that best answers each question. Write the term(s) in the space provided.*

1. The two ancient Greek \_\_\_\_\_ of Athens and Sparta had many differences, but they fought together against a common enemy.
2. Viking navigators in sturdy, oak \_\_\_\_\_ sailed far from Scandinavia, even reaching Greenland and North America.
3. Before the Vikings converted to Christianity in about A.D.1000, they followed a \_\_\_\_\_ religion with many gods.
4. The period of artistic and intellectual activity that swept Europe after the Middle Ages is known as the \_\_\_\_\_.
5. The mountains and plateaus of the Scandinavian Peninsula were carved by \_\_\_\_\_, the weathering and erosion caused by moving masses of ice.
6. The west coast of Norway has many narrow, water-filled valleys called \_\_\_\_\_.
7. The region known as the \_\_\_\_\_, near the Arctic Circle, is characterized by permanently frozen ground, and simple plants such as lichens and moss.
8. In Southern Europe, the dry climate and poor soils produce \_\_\_\_\_, where short grasses and shrubs are the dominant plants, and where olive, fig, and cypress trees grow.
9. Ships that tow large nets behind them and process the fish they catch on board are called \_\_\_\_\_, or factory ships.
10. The population of Northern European countries is mostly \_\_\_\_\_. However, immigration has added some ethnic diversity.
11. The Italian language has many \_\_\_\_\_, or regional variations, but people of one region can understand people from other regions.
12. European countries practice \_\_\_\_\_, in which people pay high taxes but their governments use the money to provide them with a wide variety of services such as low-cost or free health care and free education through college.
13. The world-wide \_\_\_\_\_ that began in 2008 hit the countries of Iceland, Greece, and Spain especially hard.