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**CHAPTER 16, LESSON 1, The Caucasus and Central Asian Republics Guided Reading Activity**

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

**Distinct Regions**

**Directions:** As you read, use the text to help you fill in the blanks to complete the sentences.

Central Asia and the Caucasus region share some characteristics, such as a harsh climate and a sparse

(1) \_\_\_\_\_ . Three countries make up the Caucasus region, which lies between the

(2) \_\_\_\_\_ and the Black Sea. Of the five countries in Central Asia,

(3) \_\_\_\_\_ is the largest.

**Landforms and Climates**

**Directions:** Read the lesson and use the text to decide whether each statement is true or false.

Write **T** or **F** in the blank. If a statement is false, rewrite it correctly on the line.

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. The Caucasus Mountains have many volcanoes.

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\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Much of Central Asia consists of plains and grasslands.

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\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Azerbaijan has many water resources.

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\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Central Asia has several important shipping ports on the Indian Ocean.

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\_\_\_\_\_ 5. The Caspian Sea & the Black Sea make the climate in the Caucasus region harsh.

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**Natural Resources**

**Directions:** As you read, fill in the chart with the natural resources found in each country.

Country	Natural Resources
1. Kazakhstan	_____
2. Uzbekistan	_____
3. Turkmenistan	_____
4. Tajikistan	_____
5. Kyrgyzstan	_____
6. Azerbaijan	_____