

Section 1: Land and Water
Africa: Physical Geography

Guided Reading and Review

A. As You Read

Directions: As you read Section 1, answer the following questions in the spaces provided.

1. Into what four regions can the continent of Africa be divided?

2. Why is Africa often called the "plateau continent"?

3. What is Africa's tallest mountain? In which region is it located?

4. Near what landform are most of Africa's major lakes located?

5. What are the names of the four major rivers in Africa?

6. Why can't ships sail all the way from Africa's interior to the sea?

7. Why have people farmed the land along the Nile for thousands of years?

B. Reviewing Key Terms

Directions: Write the key terms for the following definitions in the blanks provided.

8. a large, level area that rises above the surrounding land; has at least one side with a steep slope _____

9. the height of land above sea level _____

10. a deep crack in Earth's surface _____

11. a river or stream that flows into a larger river _____

12. rich in the substances plants need to grow well _____