

Guided Reading and Review

A. As You Read

Directions: As you read Section 2, answer the following questions in the spaces provided.

1. What is the Rub' al-Khali? Where is it located?

2. Describe two kinds of deserts in Southwest Asia.

3. If an oasis has enough water, what can it support?

4. Why is some of the most fertile soil in the world located along the Tigris and Euphrates rivers?

5. What bodies of water border much of the land of Southwest Asia?

6. What causes temperatures in some parts of Southwest Asia to reach as high as 125°F during the day?

7. Why do petroleum-rich countries in Southwest Asia play a key role in the world's economy?

8. How do people in Saudi Arabia irrigate their crops?

B. Reviewing Key Terms

Directions: Complete these sentences by writing the correct terms in the blanks provided.

9. At a(n) _____ travelers can find fresh water and shade from the sun.

10. Deposits of _____ are found under Earth's surface and take millions of years to form.

11. A natural resource that cannot be quickly replaced once it is used is called a(n) _____.

12. Oil wealth allows many Southwest Asian countries to increase the _____ of their people.