

Guided Reading and Review

A. As You Read

Directions: As you read Section 5, answer the following questions in the spaces provided.

1. When the Taliban gained power, how did they change life in Afghanistan?

2. Why did American troops invade Afghanistan in 2001?

3. Why do conflicts and ethnic disputes arise in many Central Asian countries?

4. Why did conflict break out in the Fergana Valley in Uzbekistan?

5. How did the United States respond to the rise of dictators in Central Asia?

6. In general, what are the economic conditions in Central Asia?

7. What economic activities are becoming more important in Central Asia?

8. Why is it difficult to develop and export the rich resources of oil and natural gas in the region?

9. Name an environmental challenge facing the new countries of Central Asia.

B. Reviewing Key Terms

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

10. refugee

11. dictatorship

12. landlocked