

# Chapter 18 Homework



**Read Chapter 17 (pages 406 - 423). Answer these questions on notebook paper. Your answers MUST come from the book, unless the instructions tell you to look online.**

1. What percent of Turkmenistan is covered by the Kara-Kum Desert?
2. Why isn't the Caspian Sea really a sea?
3. Which city is the major port on the Caspian Sea?
4. This area used to have a third large sea (lake), the Aral Sea. Watch this video then explain what happened to the Aral Sea. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DsUYt9tIsos>
5. What event created the Karakul Lake in Tajikistan?
6. How are the climates of the Caucasus region and Central Asia different?
7. List four agricultural products grown in the Caucasus region.
8. List three agricultural products of Central Asia.
9. List six mineral resources in these regions.
10. List three countries in this area that have large reserves of oil and natural gas.
11. What was the "Silk Road"?
12. What did Turkey do to the Armenians in the time leading up to World War 1?
13. What does the "stan" ending of countries mean?
14. What is the Khyber Pass?
15. What did the Soviet Union do to Kazakhstan in the 1930s?
16. In general, what kind of governments do these areas have?
17. What is the difference between an enclave and an exclave? Give an example of each.
18. Which countries have made progress fighting corruption?
19. Why is it hard for these countries to export their oil?
20. What is the major export of Afghanistan?
21. Do most of the people who live in Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan live in the cities or in rural areas?
22. What language is spoken in every country in these regions?
23. Name two games/sports that are popular in these regions.
24. What is the major religion in:
  - a. The Caucasus region?
  - b. Central Asia?
25. Why do the people of the mountain region in Azerbaijan live so long?
26. What are four sources of pollution in the Caspian Sea?
27. How many nuclear explosions occurred near Semey, Kazakhstan?
28. What environmental hazard does Afghanistan have?
29. What started the fire at the Darvaza crater? How long has it been burning?

On the map:

1. Label the Black Sea and Caspian Sea.
2. Label the mountains: Caucasus, Hindu Kush, Pamir, Tien Shan.
3. Label the countries:

Afghanistan  
Armenia  
Azerbaijan  
Georgia  
Kazakhstan

Kyrgyzstan  
Tajikistan  
Turkmenistan  
Uzbekistan

