

Lesson Plan

Economies in Focus

Book: *Asia*

Series: World Studies

Level: Voyager

Objective

To help students answer questions about Asia's economies and natural resources.

Supplies

- *Asia* book
- Economies in Focus worksheet (attached)
- Pencils

Before the Activity

Read *Asia* as a class, or assign it to students to read on their own. Print out a copy of the Economies in Focus worksheet for each student.

Activity

Chapter 5 (“Natural Resources and Economy”) describes resources, crops, and products that are made or harvested in Asia. Read through this chapter as a class. Then pass out the worksheets. Ask students to answer the questions on the worksheet based on facts from the book.

Evaluation

Collect the worksheets and give each student 1 point for each correct answer, or up to 20 points.

Standards

This lesson may be used to address the Common Core State Standards' reading standards for informational texts, grade 5 (RI 5.10), and the National Council for the Social Studies standards 7 and 9.

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 - a. Coal
 - b. Tin and iron
 - c. Oil
 - d. All of the above
2. What percent of the world's rice is grown in Asia?
 - a. Less than 50 percent
 - b. Approximately 50 percent
 - c. Approximately 80 percent
 - d. Approximately 90 percent
3. Which crop do farmers use terracing to grow?
 - a. Fruit
 - b. Wheat
 - c. Rice
 - d. Spices
4. What crop do many farmers in Central Asia grow?
 - a. Bananas
 - b. Wheat
 - c. Pineapples
 - d. Rice
5. Which country is the world's largest producer of spices?
 - a. Thailand
 - b. China
 - c. India
 - d. Russia
6. Which region of Asia produces most of the world's rubber?
 - a. East Asia
 - b. Southeast Asia
 - c. South Asia
 - d. Central Asia
7. What products are Japanese companies known for making?
 - a. Fabrics
 - b. Fruits
 - c. Computer chips
 - d. Metals
8. Which Asian country is the world's largest manufacturer?
 - a. China
 - b. Russia
 - c. Pakistan
 - d. Japan
9. China, India, Bangladesh, and Pakistan all produce what product?
 - a. Coal
 - b. Tin
 - c. Nylon
 - d. Textiles
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 - b. Steel and metals
 - c. Fabrics
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