Worksheet 1. Geography Quiz

Take the geography quiz. Circle the correct answer. More than one answer may be correct for some questions. The answers are given on the next page.

1. Which country has the largest population?
   a. Russia   c. China
   b. India   d. Indonesia

2. Which country is the densest in population?
   a. Monaco   c. Singapore
   b. China   d. Bahrain

3. Which country is the **sparsest** in population?
   a. Namibia   c. Australia
   b. Mongolia   d. Botswana

4. Which country is the biggest in land **area**?
   a. Russia   c. China
   b. Canada   d. the United States

5. Which country has the longest **coastline**?
   a. Norway   c. Canada
   b. Australia   d. Greece

6. Where is the biggest desert on earth?
   a. Siberia   c. Africa
   b. Antarctica   d. California

7. The highest mountain of the world is in which two countries?
   a. India and Pakistan   c. China and Tibet
   b. Tibet and Nepal   d. Pakistan and Nepal

8. The lowest point of land on earth is on the **border** between which two countries?
   a. Mexico and the U.S.   c. Holland and Belgium
   b. Israel and Jordan   d. Denmark and Germany

9. Which is the northernmost capital city in the world?
   a. Oslo, Norway   c. Helsinki, Finland
   b. Reykjavik, Iceland   d. Moscow, Russia

10. Which capital city in the world is at the highest **altitude**?
    a. Bern, Switzerland   c. Katmandu, Nepal
    b. La Paz, Bolivia   d. Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

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Answers:

1. China has more people than any other country, over one **billion**. India has almost as many. The United States has 301 **million**, and Indonesia has 234 million people.

2. Monaco is the country with the **densest** population. There are 16.2 people per square mile in this tiny country of only 0.75 square miles (1.95 square kilometers). Singapore and Bahrain are also densely populated, but China is not.

3. All these countries are sparse in population. Namibia and Mongolia are the sparsest, with only 2 people per square mile. Australia and Botswana are more crowded -- they have 3 people per square mile!

4. Russia has an area of about six and a half million square miles (17 million square kilometers), larger than Canada, China, or the United States.

5. Canada's **coastline**, with all its **bays**, islands, and inlets, is the longest: 151,485 miles (243,792 kilometers).

6. Antarctica has the world's largest desert. It is immense. It is even larger than the Sahara in Africa.

7. Mount Everest, the tallest mountain in the world, is located partly in Tibet and partly in Nepal.

8. The lowest point of land on the planet is at the bottom of the Dead Sea, which lies between Jordan and Israel. It's 1342 feet (409 meters) below sea level from its shores. But it is not as **deep** as Lake Baikal in Russia, in the mountains; Lake Baikal has a **depth** of 5,315 feet (1620 meters).

9. The capital city which lies **furthest** north is Reykjavik, in Iceland. Its latitude is 65 degrees north, which is very near the Arctic Circle.

10. La Paz, Bolivia at 11,811 feet (3600 meters) is much higher than Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia at 4363 feet (1330 meters), and Katmandu, Nepal at 4384 feet (1337 meters). Bern, Switzerland is much lower; it's only 1772 feet (540 meters) high.

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