Guided Reading Activity **18-1**

For use with textbook pages 438–442.

North Africa

Underline the Correct Word

DIRECTIONS: Read each incomplete sentence and the two answer choices in parentheses. Underline the word or phrase in the parentheses that best completes the sentence.

1. The indigenous _____ were nomads in the past, but are now mostly farmers. (bedouin/Berber)

2. The _____ people migrated to North Africa from the Arabian Peninsula in the A.D. 600s. (Arab/Berber)

3. One of the world's most densely populated regions is Egypt's _____ region. (Nile Delta/Suez Canal)

4. Urban necessities such as streets and utilities are part of a city's _____. (workforce/infrastructure)

5. By 6000 B.C. the region's farmers had _____ plants and animals. (domesticated/pastoralized)

6. Early Egyptians depended on annual Nile floods and a sophisticated _____ system to grow two crops a year. (infrastructure/irrigation)

7. Since they invaded the region in the seventh century, _____ culture has persisted in North Africa. (Ottoman/Arab)

8. European colonial powers drew _____ boundaries between countries. (geometric/natural)

9. As a result of _____ movements, countries such as Algeria, Tunisia, and Libya gained independence in the 1950s. (nationalist/colonial)

10. The _____, connecting the Mediterranean and the Red Sea, has made Egypt strategically important to Europe since 1869. (Nile River/Suez Canal)

11. Most people in North Africa belong to the _____ branch of Islam. (Shia/Sunni)

12. Non-Arab Muslims in North Africa learned _____ in order to read the Quran. (Hebrew/Arabic)

13. The literacy rate in _____ is the highest in the region, at about 82 percent. (Morocco/Libya)

14. People in the region often go to _____ hospitals for medical care. (privately owned/government-owned)

15. Arts in the region are influenced by _____, which prohibits representation of people and animals. (Islam/nationalism)

16. The Muslim faithful are called to pray five times a day by a _____. (minaret/muezzin)

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