

Words to Know

A. Match each word with its meaning. Write the correct letter on the line.

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| _____ 1. anthropologist | a. a large area set aside for wild animals |
| _____ 2. endangered species | b. a scientist who studies the origins and development of human life and culture |
| _____ 3. famine | c. a serious food shortage that causes many people to die of starvation |
| _____ 4. game reserve | d. a crack or separation in the Earth's crust |
| _____ 5. nationalism | e. an animal in danger of dying out because its numbers are few |
| _____ 6. rift | f. a strong feeling of loyalty to one's country |

B. Write *true* or *false* next to each sentence below.

- _____ 7. Anthropologists study fossils in the Great Rift Valley to learn how human beings first developed.
- _____ 8. In a game reserve, wild animals live and are protected from hunters.
- _____ 9. Famine is expected to subside in northeastern Africa as population growth slows down.
- _____ 10. Africa does not have many endangered species since most of its animals can be found in other areas throughout the world.

Comprehension Check

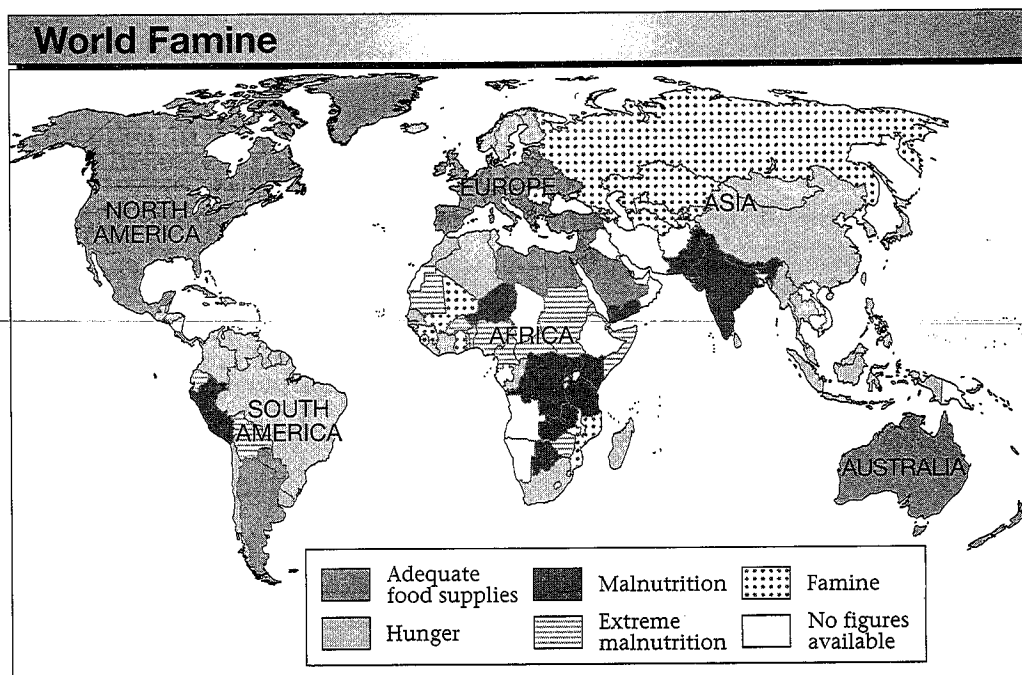
A. Place a check next to each fact below that describes an aspect of East Africa.

- _____ 1. There are high, grassy plains.
- _____ 2. Most of the land is covered with rain forests.
- _____ 3. Famine is widespread because of wars and drought.
- _____ 4. The Great Rift Valley holds clues to the earliest history of human beings.
- _____ 5. Modern laws sometimes conflict with traditional customs.
- _____ 6. Some men have more than one wife.
- _____ 7. The only language is Swahili.
- _____ 8. Asians are not allowed to live there.
- _____ 9. Colonialism enslaved some Africans in their own land.
- _____ 10. Game reserves try to protect endangered species.

B. Match each group of people with their description. Write the correct letter on the line.

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| _____ 11. Masai | a. group of Africans in Kenya who started a guerrilla army |
| _____ 12. British | b. were driven out of Uganda in the 1970s |
| _____ 13. Kikuyu | c. traditional cattle herders |
| _____ 14. Asians | d. largest ethnic group in Kenya |
| _____ 15. Mau Mau | e. set up colonies in East Africa |

Building Skills



Use the map to answer the following questions.

- Which continent has the most famine? _____

- Which continents have adequate food supplies? _____

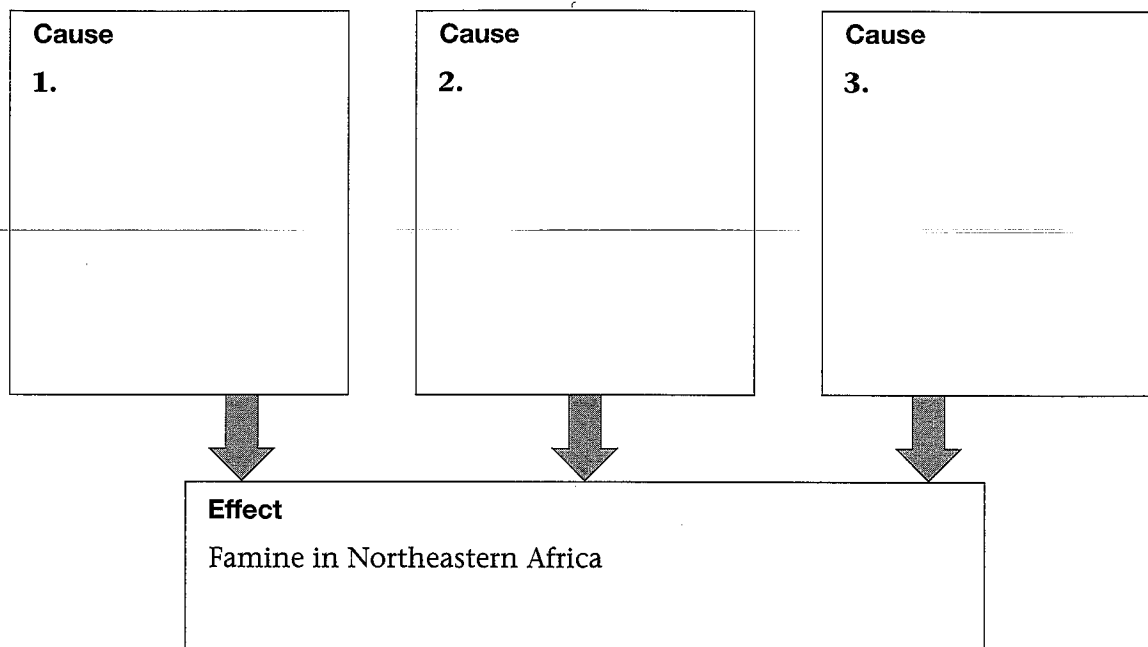
- Which region of Africa has the most problems with hunger?

- What do you think the difference is between "extreme malnutrition" and "famine"? _____

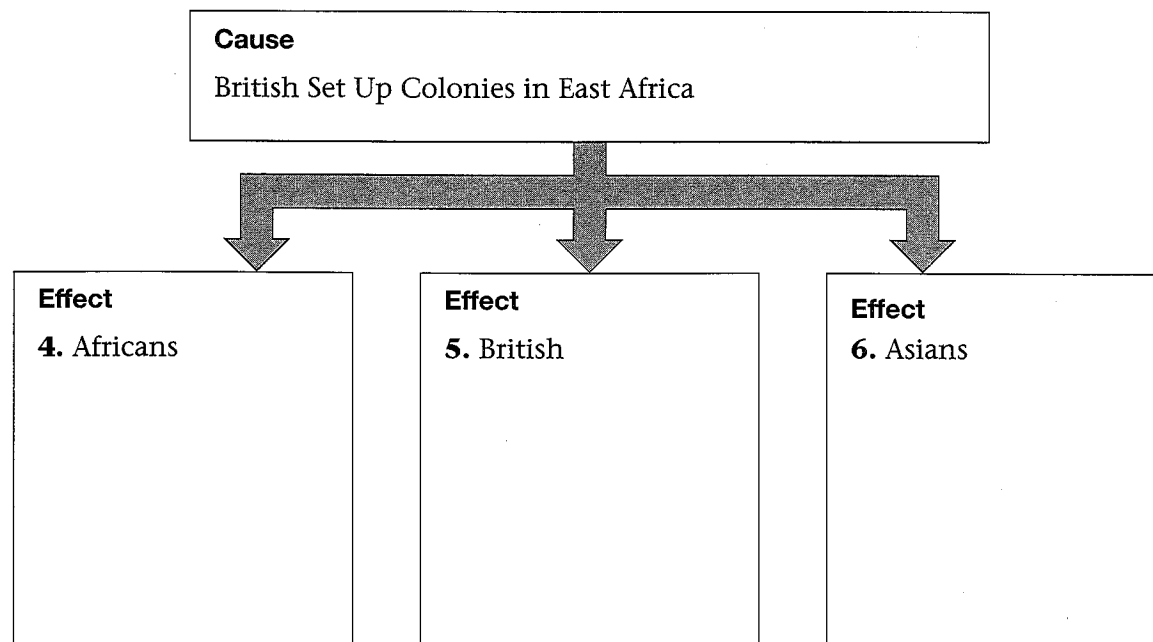
- Which continents have malnutrition? _____

Critical Thinking

A. In the chart below, write the three main causes of famine in northeastern Africa.



B. In the chart below, write the effects the British colonies have had on the populations of Africans, British, and Asians in Africa.



Challenge

Choose one of the following writing assignments, and write a short paragraph. Use a separate sheet of paper if you need more space.

1. Some scientists believe that the earliest humans lived in Africa.
What evidence is there to support this idea?
2. It has been said that Kenya is both a modern and a traditional nation.
What does this mean? Include reasons in your answer.
3. It is easier to be a wife in Africa than in the United States.
Do you agree or disagree? Include reasons in your answer.
4. Without trade, the Swahili language never would have developed.
Explain the meaning of this statement.
5. Land in East Africa is more valuable for farming than for game reserves.
Do you agree or disagree? Be sure to give reasons to support your position.

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