

14. Life in the Deserts

(Sahara in Africa and Ladakh in India)

Worksheet 1

A Select the correct options to complete the sentences below:

- The Sahara desert is also known as El Khela, which means _____.
(a) playground (b) emptiness
- The highest point of the Sahara is _____ in Chad.
(a) Emi Koussi (b) Mount Kilimanjaro
- Plants in Sahara Desert have long _____, thick _____ and leathery _____.
(a) branches; trunks; roots (b) roots; barks; leaves
- Ladakh lies in the _____ area of the Himalayan Mountains.
(a) windward (b) rain-shadow
- The other name for Ladakh is _____, which means 'land of snow'.
(a) Khapa-Chan (b) Tangiang La
- In Ladakh, you can suffer from _____ and _____ at the same time.
(a) headache; pneumonia (b) sunstroke; frostbite
- The only freshwater lake in the Sahara Desert is _____.
(a) Lake Chad (b) Lake Shyok
- The highest temperature in the world was recorded in _____.
(a) Zoji La (b) Al Azizia
- _____ and _____ are the main tribes living in the Sahara Desert.
(a) Bedouins; Tuaregs (b) Jarawas; Kolis
- The main winter occupations in Ladakh are _____ and _____.
(a) knitting; stitching (b) weaving; carpet-making

B Look at the words given in the box and place them in the correct columns.

Kiang Bedouin fellahin Hemis cotton apricots walnuts dates camels
yaks water bottles pashmina acacia Zoji La

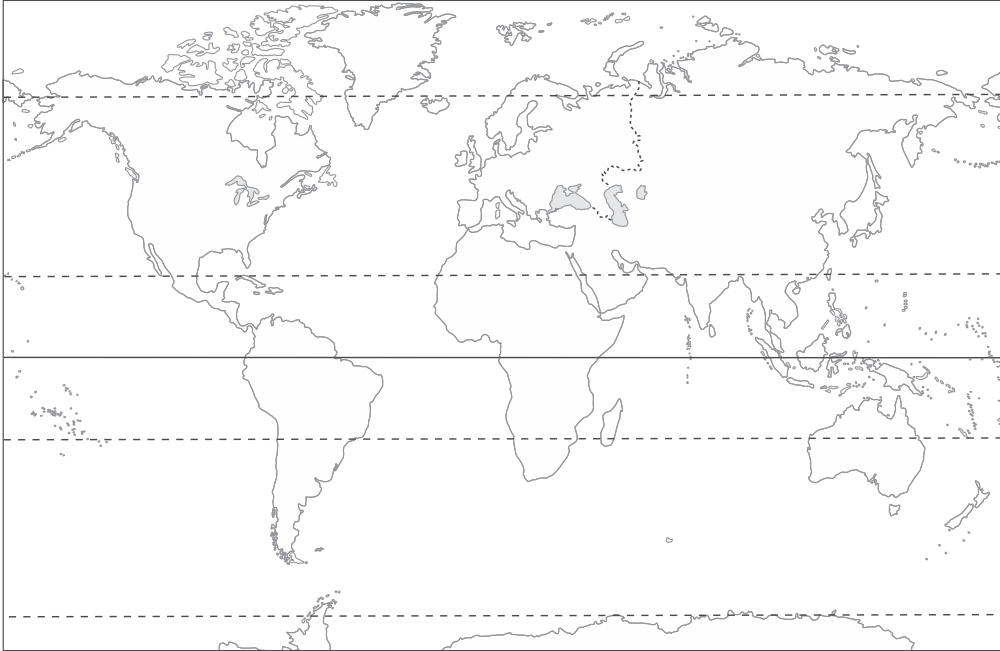
Sahara

Ladakh

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Worksheet 2

- A** On a world map, mark the names of the following deserts: Sahara, Ladakh, Kalahari, Arabian, Thar, Atacama, Gobi and Patagonia.



- B** Find and paste or draw pictures of the following: Camel, Yak, Dates, Apples, a Tuareg man, and a Ladakhi man.



ANSWERS TO WORKSHEET 2

- A. Students may refer to the map on page 100 of Srijan Social Sciences 7 for this exercise.
B. Students may find and paste pictures or enjoy drawing them.