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train station

recreational

activities

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The free-time activities people do to relax and

enjoy themselves after their work is done

products move from place to place

A word used to describe how people, ideas, and :

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Reading Passage

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# Europe - Movement

eographers don't just study what the Earth looks like. They also study what people do each day in different parts of the world.

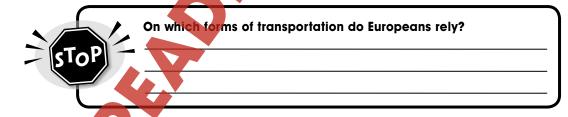
They notice that people travel to work, to school,

They notice that people travel to work, to school, or to **recreational** activities. Vehicles travel within and between countries and continents delivering the **products** that people use in their homes. People make telephone calls, write letters, watch TV, and surf the Internet looking for information. What do these things all have in common? They all involve **movement**, the word geographers use to describe how people, ideas, and products move from



om place to place.

**Transportation** is the word we use to describe movement involving vehicles. In Europe, people have long relied on trains to help them get from place to place. **Railways** are also used to deliver the products Europeans use daily, such as food, furniture, electronics, and fuel. One of the most important places in any European city is the train station. Roads and **highways** are everywhere. Bicycles, cars, motorcycles, motor scooters, buses, and trucks are used each day. European streets are much narrower than those in North America, so small cars are preferred over large ones. People in Europe also travel by plane or by ship. Many products are delivered along rivers and **canals**, avoiding the traffic jams that can happen on highways. Did you know that the city of Venice, Italy, is famous for its canals? People must travel from place to place by gondola!



Communication also plays an important part in movement. Ideas can be carried from place to place by radio, television, the **Internet**, letters, telephones, or even by visiting the local coffee shop to chat with friends. Europe also has many hundreds of newspapers to help spread the news and opinions.

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## **Europe - Movement**

Answer each question with a complete sentence.

- 3. In what different ways do people communicate their ide
- **4.** Trains are very important in Europe. Have you ever been on a train? If yes, describe where you were going, and what the train was like.

#### Research and Extensions

- **5.** Look at the transportation map of Europe & research rail travel in Europe on the web. When collecting your facts, think of these points:
  - Which countries rely heavily on road travel?
  - Where are some famous train stations located?
  - Is rail travel more expensive than driving? Which is faster?

Share your findings with the class in the form of a **short essay**. Use each question as the topic for a paragraph.

**6.** River travel is also important in Europe. One river, in particular, is famous for its cruises that tourists from around the world flock to take. That river is the Rhine. It flows through several European countries.

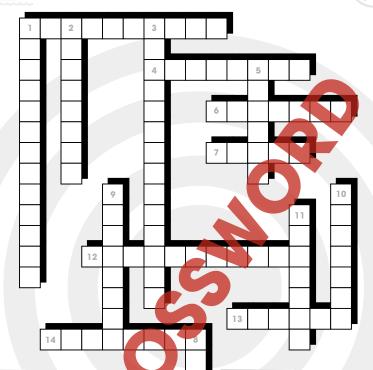
**Research Rhine River cruises.** If you took this cruise, what would you see? What interesting things are there for tourists to do? Present your findings as a pamphlet or a poster advertising what you have learned. Illustrate your work. Share your findings with the class.

7. While your family may have lived in your current home for a number of years, your extended family and ancestors probably came from a variety of different places, in a variety of different ways. Interview your parents to find out where your family originated. Find out how and when they moved about, and how and when your immediate family came to live in your present home. Record your findings and share them with your class.





## **Crossword Puzzle!**



physical vineyard unique population islands hemispheres south absolute prime meridian canals transportation

products mistral climate

route

**Word List** 

#### Across

- is very large for its 1 Europe's
- \_ location descibes exactly where a place
- The temperature and/or snowfall found in a place
- A path taken from one place to
- 12 Europe is found in the east and west
- **13** Many products are transported along
- 14 Things people use at home, work and school

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#### Down

- 1 The divides the world into east and west
- 2 A place can be described by \_\_\_\_ and human characteristics
- 3 Movement involving vehicles
- A region is described by its \_\_\_\_ features
- 8 The Mediterranean Sea lies to the of Europe
- **9** Large field where grapes are grown
- 10 Some countries in Europe are \_\_\_
- 11 Provence, France is know for its cold \_\_\_\_ winds

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## Comprehension Quiz

#### Part C

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

What is the difference between **absolute** location and **relative** location? As an example, describe Europe's relative location.



How do we describe **place?** Give examples



Describe what is meant by **human and environment interactions**. Explain how recycling is a positive interaction



What do we mean by movement in geography? Give one example of transportation and one of communication.



What is a **region**? How can we describe one? Give a European example.



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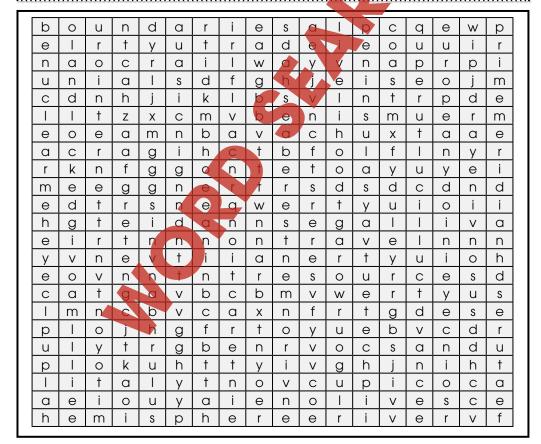
After You Read

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## **Word Search**

Find all of the words in the Word Search. Words may be horizontal, vertical, or diagonal. A few may even be backwards! Look carefully!

hemisphere nuclear trade features boundaries interaction elihood lavender landlocked peninsula conserve culture vineyard railway location **European** travel climate Internet Italy environment villages river continent olives prime me resources coast



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# Europe



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# **Europe - Movement**

1. Circle T if the statement is true or F if it is false.
T F a) Geographers study the Earth and what people do in different parts of the world.
T F b) Transportation is a word we use to describe movement involving vehicles.
T F c) Florence is famous for its canals.
T F d) People do not rely on trains in Europe for travel and to deliver products from place to place.
T F e) Europe has many newspapers to help spread news and opinions.
T F f) Europeans rely only on the telephone and letter writing for

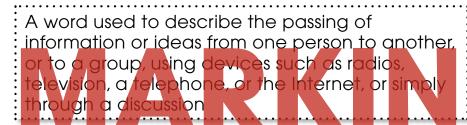
### 2. Match the word on the left to its meaning on the right.

communication.



- 3 communication
- 4 train station
- recreational activities





Movement involving vehicles

A large building where trains stop to pick up, or to drop off passengers or products

A word used to describe how people, ideas, and products move from place to place

The free-time activities people do to relax and enjoy themselves after their work is done



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1.

a) 🚺

o) 🚺

d) **(** 

e) [[

f) **(** 

1 0

B Possible of

green fields, old cities, castles, etc.

Answers will vary

4 C

5 E



Possible answers: e-mail, radio, television, Internet, telephone, cell phone, talk, letters

4.
Answers will vary

Answers will vary in complexity and detail

5.

**Across:** 

1. population

4. absolute

6. climate

7. route

12. hemispheres

13. canals

14. products

Down:

1. prime meridian

2. physical

**3.** transportation

5. unique8. south

9. vineyard

10. islands

11. mistral

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