Russia is a huge country that spans 2 continents and 11 time zones. Russia is a land of fire and ice, with volcanic regions and areas where the soil never thaws.

The Russian people have adapted to their harsh environment. They take advantage of the rich natural resources their land provides.

**Directions: Fill in the Blanks** Listed below are the names of major landforms and regions of Russia. Write each name next to its description in the table.

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