What Do You Know?

Directions: Quiz a parent or partner to see how much you know about North Africa, Southwest Asia, and Central Asia today.*

Student: What is the Maghreb?

Student’s answer:

Partner: What is one of the oldest continually inhabited cities in the world?

Partner’s answer:

Student: Which country’s people live mostly in oases in and around the Kara-Kum?

Student’s answer:

Partner: Who lives in a kibbutz?

Partner’s answer:

* With your student, find answers to these questions in the student textbook.
School-to-Home Connection Activity
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Name That Nation

Directions: The lists below give clues to particular countries in North Africa, Southwest Asia, and Central Asia. Read each list, and then write the name of the country on the line above the clues.

1. 
   - Farmers grow cotton, grapes, and grain in my fertile mountain valleys.
   - I am located in Central Asia.
   - A civil war in the 1990s killed many people and hurt my economy.

2. 
   - Istanbul is my largest city, but Ankara is my capital.
   - A large number of Kurds live here.
   - I once was a major part of the Ottoman Empire.

3. 
   - The Aswān High Dam provides much of my hydroelectric power.
   - Cotton makes up almost 25 percent of my export trade.
   - My capital city, Cairo, has about the same population as Ohio.

4. 
   - Women can vote in my country.
   - My oil exports pay for medical care and education for my citizens.
   - I am a banking center located on the Persian Gulf.

5. 
   - Most of my population is Persian or Azeri, not Arab.
   - Ninety percent of my population is Shia Muslim.
   - In 1979 I became an Islamic republic.

6. 
   - The holy cities of Makkah and Madinah are located here.
   - Women have fewer rights here than in many other Islamic countries.
   - I became a country in 1932, when the Saud family established a monarchy.