

Reading Plus

Lesson 4

Exercise 16

A. Scanning:

1. How many paragraphs are there in this timed reading?
2. How many countries are included in the list that is presented in the fourth sentence of the first paragraph?
3. On which line does a fraction appear that means “two out of three”?
4. On which line does a number appear in Roman Numerals?
5. On which line does the last sentence of the third paragraph begin?

B. Locating Information:

1. According to the timed reading, what is the population of Sudan?
2. According to the timed reading, what is the capital city of Sudan and what is its population?
3. According to the timed reading, what are the two main groups of people living in Sudan?
4. According to the timed reading, how many languages are spoken in Sudan?
5. Which paragraph in this timed reading discusses the various nations that have controlled Sudan?

C. Grammar:

1. The adjective clause “Located in the northeastern part of Africa,” modifies which noun in the first paragraph?
2. Find an example of a phrasal verb in the second paragraph. What does this phrasal verb mean?
3. Find an example of another phrasal verb in the third paragraph. What does this phrasal verb mean?
4. Find an example of a past participle verb in the third paragraph.
5. Explain the difference in meaning between “peoples” (line 15) and “people” (line 16).

D. Vocabulary:

1. Which word in the first paragraph refers to the number of people living in a place?
2. Find a phrase in the first paragraph that could be replaced by the phrase “next to” or “surrounded by.”
3. Which noun in the first paragraph refers to the place where the sea and land come together?
4. Find a phrase in the first half of this timed reading that means “to join or meet.”
5. Find a phrase in the third paragraph that means “to account for” or “to add up to.”
6. Find a word in the fourth paragraph means “an area or small part of a country.”
7. Find a word in the fourth paragraph that refers to a person in one country who actually comes from a different country.

8. Which word in the fourth paragraph refers to a 100-year period of time?
9. Find an adverb in the fourth paragraph that means “totally” or “absolutely.”
10. Find a word in the fourth paragraph that is an antonym of the word “dependent.”