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| Turkmenistan Exercises | about-the-world.org/3267 | **Video + Exercises** |

**Match terms**

*Task: Match each term with the appropriate explanation!*

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| (A) | Caspian Sea | (1) | Central Asian country |
| (B) | Turkmenistan | (2) | Turkmenistan’s coastline |
| (I) | Nomadic tribes | (3) | very dry, extreme temperatures |
| (L) | Continental climate | (4) | Turkmenistan’s capital city |
| (L) | Ashgabat | (5) | key economic resource |
| (N) | Soviet Union | (6) | covers most of Turkmenistan |
| (O) | Karakum Desert | (7) | part of Turkmen history |
| (P) | Natural gas | (8) | Turkmenistan was a part |
| (T) | Music and dance | (9) | important cultural elements |

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**Complete sentences**

*Task: Match the beginning of each sentence with the end!*

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| (D) | Cotton is significant ... | (1) | ... and Uzbekistan. |
| (E) | The majority speaks Russian ... | (2) | ... are extremely hot. |
| (E) | Ashgabat is known for ... | (3) | ... and Turkmen. |
| (F) | Turkmenistan borders Kazakhstan ... | (4) | ... its marble architecture. |
| (M) | Merv’s ruins are ... | (5) | ... in Turkmen agriculture. |
| (O) | Gate to Hell is ... | (6) | ... a burning gas field. |
| (R) | Summers in Turkmenistan ... | (7) | ... in Turkmenistan. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | What sea does Turkmenistan border? |
| (D) | Caspian Sea |
| (R) | Red Sea |
| (V) | Black Sea |
| 2. | What is the predominant religion in Turkmenistan? |
| (A) | Islam |
| (B) | Buddhism |
| (S) | Christianity |
| 3. | What is a famous craft in Turkmenistan? |
| (M) | Silk weaving |
| (N) | Carpets |
| (R) | Pottery |
| 4. | Which desert covers most of Turkmenistan? |
| (C) | Karakum Desert |
| (R) | Sahara Desert |
| (V) | Gobi Desert |
| 5. | What year did Turkmenistan become independent? |
| (A) | 1995 |
| (E) | 1991 |
| (S) | 1989 |
| 6. | What is Turkmenistan’s climate? |
| (A) | Tropical and humid |
| (R) | Continental and dry |
| (V) | Temperate and rainy |

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**Right or wrong?**

*Task: State whether the statements are true or false!*

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| right | wrong |  |
| (C) | (V) | 1. Turkmenistan borders Afghanistan and Iran. |
| (F) | (A) | 2. Turkmenistan is in South America. |
| (R) | (M) | 3. Ashgabat is famous for its wooden architecture. |
| (E) | (R) | 4. Ashgabat has many historical monuments. |
| (R) | (T) | 5. The Karakum Desert is in Turkmenistan. |
| (E) | (A) | 6. Turkmenistan is densely populated. |

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| **Keyword:** | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ |
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**7 Questions about the text**

*Task: Answer the questions in one or two complete sentences!*

What are Turkmenistan’s main natural resources?

What covers 80% of Turkmenistan?

What language is commonly spoken in Turkmenistan?

What is Ashgabat known for?

What is the „Gate to Hell“?

How large is Turkmenistan?

What role do music and dance play in Turkmenistan?

**Solution sheet 1**

**Turkmenistan**

**Match terms**

Turkmenistan = Central Asian country

Caspian Sea = Turkmenistan’s coastline

Continental climate = very dry, extreme temperatures

Ashgabat = Turkmenistan’s capital city

Natural gas = key economic resource

Karakum Desert = covers most of Turkmenistan

Nomadic tribes = part of Turkmen history

Soviet Union = Turkmenistan was a part

Music and dance = important cultural elements

Keyword: BALLPOINT

**Complete sentences**

Turkmenistan borders Kazakhstan | and Uzbekistan.

Summers in Turkmenistan | are extremely hot.

The majority speaks Russian | and Turkmen.

Ashgabat is known for | its marble architecture.

Cotton is significant | in Turkmen agriculture.

Gate to Hell is | a burning gas field.

Merv’s ruins are | in Turkmenistan.

Keyword: FREEDOM

**Questions**

What sea does Turkmenistan border?

Caspian Sea

What is the predominant religion in Turkmenistan?

Islam

What is a famous craft in Turkmenistan?

Carpets

Which desert covers most of Turkmenistan?

Karakum Desert

What year did Turkmenistan become independent?

1991

What is Turkmenistan’s climate?

Continental and dry

Keyword: DANCER

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. Turkmenistan borders Afghanistan and Iran.

4. Ashgabat has many historical monuments.

5. The Karakum Desert is in Turkmenistan.

wrong

6. Turkmenistan is densely populated.

2. Turkmenistan is in South America.

3. Ashgabat is famous for its wooden architecture.

Keyword: CAMERA

**Solution sheet 2**

**Turkmenistan**

**Questions and answers**

What are Turkmenistan’s main natural resources?

Turkmenistan’s main natural resources are natural gas and oil.

What covers 80% of Turkmenistan?

The Karakum Desert covers about 80% of Turkmenistan.

What language is commonly spoken in Turkmenistan?

Turkmen and Russian are commonly spoken in Turkmenistan.

What is Ashgabat known for?

Ashgabat is known for its modern buildings and marble architecture.

What is the „Gate to Hell“?

The „Gate to Hell“ is a burning gas field in the Karakum Desert.

How large is Turkmenistan?

Turkmenistan is about 488,100 square kilometers in size.

What role do music and dance play in Turkmenistan?

Music and dance play an important role in Turkmenistan’s culture.