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**Match terms**

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

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| (C) | Antilles | (1) | largest island group in the Caribbean |
| (I) | Salsa | (2) | sea channel east of Cuba |
| (M) | Tropical climate | (3) | hot, humid weather with distinct seasons |
| (M) | Christopher Columbus | (4) | discovered Cuba in 1492 |
| (N) | Mojito | (5) | government owns and controls resources |
| (O) | Windward Passage | (6) | famous Cuban cocktail |
| (T) | Communist Party | (7) | popular Cuban music and dance style |
| (U) | Socialist state | (8) | only legal party in Cuba |
| (Y) | Endemic species | (9) | unique to a specific place |

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| **Keyword:** | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ |
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**Complete sentences**

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

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| (C) | Christopher Columbus discovered ... | (1) | ... and is the largest island. |
| (I) | The Atlantic Ocean borders Cuba ... | (2) | ... to the north. |
| (O) | Cuba’s economy relies heavily on ... | (3) | ... Cuba in 1492. |
| (R) | Salsa and rumba are popular ... | (4) | ... culture and architecture. |
| (T) | Havana is known for its vibrant ... | (5) | ... agriculture and tourism. |
| (V) | Cuba is located in the Caribbean ... | (6) | ... Cuban music styles. |
| (Y) | Cuba’s diverse nature includes ... | (7) | ... many endemic species. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | What sea borders Cuba to the north? |
| (B) | Atlantic Ocean |
| (R) | Gulf of Mexico |
| (V) | Caribbean Sea |
| 2. | Who discovered Cuba in 1492? |
| (A) | Hernán Cortés |
| (S) | Ferdinand Magellan |
| (U) | Christopher Columbus |
| 3. | What is the capital of Cuba? |
| (N) | Guantánamo |
| (R) | Santiago de Cuba |
| (T) | Havana |
| 4. | Which climate is typical for Cuba? |
| (R) | Temperate climate |
| (T) | Tropical climate |
| (V) | Desert climate |
| 5. | What type of government does Cuba have? |
| (A) | Constitutional monarchy |
| (O) | Socialist state |
| (S) | Democratic republic |
| 6. | What is a famous Cuban dance? |
| (N) | Salsa |
| (R) | Tango |
| (V) | Waltz |

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**Right or wrong?**

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

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| right | wrong |  |
| (E) | (V) | 1. Cuba is the largest island in the Antilles. |
| (F) | (N) | 2. Cuba borders the Indian Ocean to the south. |
| (R) | (G) | 3. The dry season in Cuba lasts from May to October. |
| (I) | (R) | 4. The Cuban Revolution led to Fidel Castro’s power. |
| (N) | (T) | 5. Havana is the capital and largest city of Cuba. |
| (A) | (E) | 6. Cuba was a British colony before its independence. |

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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 is the Windward Passage?

What is special about Cuba’s nature?

What is the main religion in Cuba?

What is a mojito?

Who succeeded Raúl Castro as president?

What are some popular Cuban music styles?

Why is sugar cane important to Cuba?

**Solution sheet 1**

**Cuba**

**Match terms**

Antilles = largest island group in the Caribbean

Windward Passage = sea channel east of Cuba

Tropical climate = hot, humid weather with distinct seasons

Christopher Columbus = discovered Cuba in 1492

Socialist state = government owns and controls resources

Mojito = famous Cuban cocktail

Salsa = popular Cuban music and dance style

Communist Party = only legal party in Cuba

Endemic species = unique to a specific place

Keyword: COMMUNITY

**Complete sentences**

Cuba is located in the Caribbean | and is the largest island.

The Atlantic Ocean borders Cuba | to the north.

Christopher Columbus discovered | Cuba in 1492.

Havana is known for its vibrant | culture and architecture.

Cuba’s economy relies heavily on | agriculture and tourism.

Salsa and rumba are popular | Cuban music styles.

Cuba’s diverse nature includes | many endemic species.

Keyword: VICTORY

**Questions**

What sea borders Cuba to the north?

Atlantic Ocean

Who discovered Cuba in 1492?

Christopher Columbus

What is the capital of Cuba?

Havana

Which climate is typical for Cuba?

Tropical climate

What type of government does Cuba have?

Socialist state

What is a famous Cuban dance?

Salsa

Keyword: BUTTON

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. Cuba is the largest island in the Antilles.

4. The Cuban Revolution led to Fidel Castro’s power.

5. Havana is the capital and largest city of Cuba.

wrong

6. Cuba was a British colony before its independence.

2. Cuba borders the Indian Ocean to the south.

3. The dry season in Cuba lasts from May to October.

Keyword: ENGINE

**Solution sheet 2**

**Cuba**

**Questions and answers**

What is the Windward Passage?

The Windward Passage is a sea channel east of Cuba.

What is special about Cuba’s nature?

Cuba’s nature is rich in endemic species and diverse ecosystems.

What is the main religion in Cuba?

The main religion in Cuba is Catholicism.

What is a mojito?

A mojito is a traditional Cuban cocktail.

Who succeeded Raúl Castro as president?

Miguel Díaz-Canel succeeded Raúl Castro as president in 2018.

What are some popular Cuban music styles?

Popular Cuban music styles include salsa, rumba, and son.

Why is sugar cane important to Cuba?

Sugar cane is important to Cuba’s economy as a major agricultural product.