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**Match terms**

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

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| (C) | Tropical climate | (1) | Hot, humid weather with rainfall |
| (I) | Paramaribo | (2) | Mixed language developed from multiple origins |
| (M) | Bauxite | (3) | Ore for aluminum production |
| (M) | Holi-Phagwa | (4) | Hindu festival welcoming spring |
| (N) | Military coup | (5) | Creole language spoken in Suriname |
| (O) | Creole language | (6) | Illegal seizure of government by military |
| (T) | UNESCO World Heritage Site | (7) | Capital city of Suriname |
| (U) | Sranantongo | (8) | Protected site of cultural importance |
| (Y) | Javanese | (9) | Ethnic group originally from Java |

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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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| (A) | It borders Brazil and ... | (1) | ... in South America. |
| (A) | Suriname’s economy relies on ... | (2) | ... French Guiana. |
| (C) | Suriname is located ... | (3) | ... until 1975. |
| (I) | The Holi-Phagwa festival celebrates ... | (4) | ... on the Suriname River. |
| (N) | Jaguar, giant otter, and ... | (5) | ... agriculture and mining. |
| (P) | Suriname was a Dutch colony ... | (6) | ... the arrival of spring. |
| (T) | The capital, Paramaribo, is ... | (7) | ... harpy eagle live in Suriname. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | What is Suriname’s official language? |
| (C) | Dutch |
| (R) | Spanish |
| (V) | English |
| 2. | Which ocean borders Suriname? |
| (A) | Indian Ocean |
| (I) | Atlantic Ocean |
| (S) | Pacific Ocean |
| 3. | What is the capital of Suriname? |
| (N) | Brasilia |
| (R) | Paramaribo |
| (T) | Georgetown |
| 4. | What is a major economic activity in Suriname? |
| (C) | Mining |
| (R) | Software development |
| (V) | Automotive manufacturing |
| 5. | What type of climate does Suriname have? |
| (A) | Desert |
| (L) | Tropical |
| (S) | Temperate |
| 6. | What festival is celebrated in Suriname to welcome spring? |
| (E) | Holi-Phagwa |
| (R) | Diwali |
| (V) | Easter |

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| **Keyword**: | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ |
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**Right or wrong?**

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

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| right | wrong |  |
| (S) | (V) | 1. Suriname has a tropical climate. |
| (F) | (I) | 2. Suriname is located in Central America. |
| (R) | (L) | 3. The capital of Suriname is Georgetown. |
| (V) | (R) | 4. Suriname’s official language is Dutch. |
| (E) | (T) | 5. Paramaribo is the capital of Suriname. |
| (A) | (R) | 6. Suriname was a French colony. |

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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 climate like in Suriname?

What is Sranantongo?

What is bauxite used for?

Why is the Central Suriname Nature Reserve significant?

What are some popular dishes in Suriname?

How did Suriname gain independence?

What animals are found in Suriname’s rainforests?

**Solution sheet 1**

**Suriname**

**Match terms**

Tropical climate = Hot, humid weather with rainfall

Creole language = Mixed language developed from multiple origins

Bauxite = Ore for aluminum production

Holi-Phagwa = Hindu festival welcoming spring

Sranantongo = Creole language spoken in Suriname

Military coup = Illegal seizure of government by military

Paramaribo = Capital city of Suriname

UNESCO World Heritage Site = Protected site of cultural importance

Javanese = Ethnic group originally from Java

Keyword: COMMUNITY

**Complete sentences**

Suriname is located | in South America.

It borders Brazil and | French Guiana.

Suriname was a Dutch colony | until 1975.

The capital, Paramaribo, is | on the Suriname River.

Suriname’s economy relies on | agriculture and mining.

The Holi-Phagwa festival celebrates | the arrival of spring.

Jaguar, giant otter, and | harpy eagle live in Suriname.

Keyword: CAPTAIN

**Questions**

What is Suriname’s official language?

Dutch

Which ocean borders Suriname?

Atlantic Ocean

What is the capital of Suriname?

Paramaribo

What is a major economic activity in Suriname?

Mining

What type of climate does Suriname have?

Tropical

What festival is celebrated in Suriname to welcome spring?

Holi-Phagwa

Keyword: CIRCLE

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. Suriname has a tropical climate.

4. Suriname’s official language is Dutch.

5. Paramaribo is the capital of Suriname.

wrong

6. Suriname was a French colony.

2. Suriname is located in Central America.

3. The capital of Suriname is Georgetown.

Keyword: SILVER

**Solution sheet 2**

**Suriname**

**Questions and answers**

What is the climate like in Suriname?

Suriname has a tropical climate with two rainy seasons.

What is Sranantongo?

Sranantongo is a Creole language spoken in Suriname.

What is bauxite used for?

Bauxite is used for aluminum production.

Why is the Central Suriname Nature Reserve significant?

The Central Suriname Nature Reserve is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

What are some popular dishes in Suriname?

Popular dishes in Suriname include roti, pom, and bami.

How did Suriname gain independence?

Suriname gained independence from the Netherlands in 1975.

What animals are found in Suriname’s rainforests?

Suriname’s rainforests are home to jaguars, giant otters, and harpy eagles.