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| Gabon Exercises | about-the-world.org/3152 | **Video + Exercises** |

**Match terms**

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

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| (A) | Loango National Park | (1) | hot, humid, year-round weather |
| (B) | Life expectancy | (2) | length of seashore in kilometers |
| (C) | Equatorial climate | (3) | freedom from colonial rule |
| (E) | Coastline | (4) | predominant ethnic group in Gabon |
| (E) | Fang | (5) | average lifespan in years |
| (E) | Compulsory education | (6) | underground stores of petroleum |
| (L) | Independence | (7) | site for observing wildlife |
| (R) | Oil reserves | (8) | percentage able to read and write |
| (T) | Literacy rate | (9) | mandatory schooling age |

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**Complete sentences**

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

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| (A) | Loango National Park ... | (1) | ... in Central Africa. |
| (B) | Gabon’s major export ... | (2) | ... and humid year-round. |
| (D) | Gabon achieved independence ... | (3) | ... by freed slaves. |
| (H) | Gabon is located ... | (4) | ... is oil. |
| (N) | The Fang group is ... | (5) | ... attracts tourists. |
| (S) | Libreville was founded ... | (6) | ... the largest ethnic. |
| (U) | Its climate is hot ... | (7) | ... in 1960. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | What is the capital of Gabon? |
| (D) | Libreville |
| (R) | Bata |
| (V) | Port-Gentil |
| 2. | What is Gabon’s official language? |
| (A) | French |
| (B) | English |
| (S) | Fang |
| 3. | What type of climate does Gabon have? |
| (M) | Desert |
| (N) | Equatorial |
| (R) | Temperate |
| 4. | What is Gabon’s main ethnic group? |
| (C) | Fang |
| (R) | Pygmy |
| (V) | Bantu |
| 5. | Which national park is in Gabon? |
| (A) | Serengeti National Park |
| (E) | Loango National Park |
| (S) | Kruger National Park |
| 6. | What was Gabon’s status before 1960? |
| (A) | British colony |
| (R) | French colony |
| (V) | Independent nation |

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**Right or wrong?**

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

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| right | wrong |  |
| (D) | (V) | 1. Gabon shares a border with Cameroon. |
| (F) | (O) | 2. Gabon’s capital is Port-Gentil. |
| (R) | (L) | 3. Gabon gained independence in 1900. |
| (L) | (R) | 4. Libreville is the capital of Gabon. |
| (A) | (T) | 5. Gabon’s main exports are oil and timber. |
| (A) | (R) | 6. Elephants are not native to Gabon. |

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**7 Questions about the text**

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

When did Gabon gain independence?

What is Gabon’s main export?

Where is Gabon located?

What is the life expectancy in Gabon?

Who ruled Gabon after 1967?

What is significant about Libreville’s founding?

What kind of wildlife is found in Gabon?

**Solution sheet 1**

**Gabon**

**Match terms**

Equatorial climate = hot, humid, year-round weather

Coastline = length of seashore in kilometers

Independence = freedom from colonial rule

Fang = predominant ethnic group in Gabon

Life expectancy = average lifespan in years

Oil reserves = underground stores of petroleum

Loango National Park = site for observing wildlife

Literacy rate = percentage able to read and write

Compulsory education = mandatory schooling age

Keyword: CELEBRATE

**Complete sentences**

Gabon is located | in Central Africa.

Its climate is hot | and humid year-round.

Libreville was founded | by freed slaves.

Gabon’s major export | is oil.

Loango National Park | attracts tourists.

The Fang group is | the largest ethnic.

Gabon achieved independence | in 1960.

Keyword: HUSBAND

**Questions**

What is the capital of Gabon?

Libreville

What is Gabon’s official language?

French

What type of climate does Gabon have?

Equatorial

What is Gabon’s main ethnic group?

Fang

Which national park is in Gabon?

Loango National Park

What was Gabon’s status before 1960?

French colony

Keyword: DANCER

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. Gabon shares a border with Cameroon.

4. Libreville is the capital of Gabon.

5. Gabon’s main exports are oil and timber.

wrong

6. Elephants are not native to Gabon.

2. Gabon’s capital is Port-Gentil.

3. Gabon gained independence in 1900.

Keyword: DOLLAR

**Solution sheet 2**

**Gabon**

**Questions and answers**

When did Gabon gain independence?

Gabon gained independence in 1960.

What is Gabon’s main export?

Oil is Gabon’s main export.

Where is Gabon located?

Gabon is situated in Central Africa.

What is the life expectancy in Gabon?

Life expectancy in Gabon is around 66 years.

Who ruled Gabon after 1967?

Omar Bongo ruled Gabon after 1967.

What is significant about Libreville’s founding?

Libreville was founded by freed slaves.

What kind of wildlife is found in Gabon?

Gabon is home to elephants, gorillas, and chimpanzees.