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| Yemen Exercises | about-the-world.org/3242 | **Video + Exercises** |

**Match terms**

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

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| (A) | Islamized | (1) | capital and cultural center of Yemen |
| (C) | Sanaa | (2) | ancient kingdom in Yemen’s history |
| (E) | Saffron | (3) | Yemeni island with unique flora and fauna |
| (I) | Afro-Yemenis | (4) | part of Yemen’s ancient civilization |
| (N) | Socotra | (5) | Yemen converted to Islam in 7th century |
| (N) | Civil War | (6) | minority ethnic group in Yemen |
| (O) | Himjar | (7) | ongoing conflict in Yemen since 2015 |
| (R) | Socotra | (8) | spice used in Yemeni cuisine |
| (T) | Saba | (9) | Yemeni island, UNESCO World Heritage Site |

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**Complete sentences**

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

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| (A) | Yemen’s desert is extremely ... | (1) | ... and Oman. |
| (D) | Yemen borders Saudi Arabia ... | (2) | ... in Yemen. |
| (D) | Yemen faces a severe humanitarian ... | (3) | ... dry and hot. |
| (I) | Sanaa has many historic buildings ... | (4) | ... in Yemeni culture. |
| (M) | Music and dance are important ... | (5) | ... its spices. |
| (N) | Socotra Island is part of ... | (6) | ... Yemen. |
| (O) | Yemeni cuisine is known for ... | (7) | ... crisis. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | What is the capital of Yemen? |
| (R) | Taiz |
| (S) | Sanaa |
| (V) | Aden |
| 2. | What type of climate prevails in Yemen’s coastal regions? |
| (A) | temperate |
| (Q) | hot and humid |
| (S) | cold and dry |
| 3. | What is Yemen’s main economic dependence? |
| (N) | textiles |
| (R) | tourism |
| (U) | oil and gas exports |
| 4. | Who is the predominant population in Yemen? |
| (A) | Arabs |
| (R) | Americans |
| (V) | Europeans |
| 5. | What type of vegetation is Socotra known for? |
| (A) | deserts |
| (R) | unique flora and fauna |
| (S) | tropical forests |
| 6. | What plays an important role in Yemeni culture? |
| (E) | music and dance |
| (R) | painting and sculpture |
| (V) | literature |

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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. Yemen is located in the southwest of the Arabian Peninsula. |
| (F) | (A) | 2. Yemen borders Iran to the north. |
| (R) | (M) | 3. Socotra is not a UNESCO World Heritage Site. |
| (E) | (R) | 4. Sanaa is the capital and cultural center of Yemen. |
| (R) | (T) | 5. Yemen has been affected by a civil war since 2015. |
| (E) | (A) | 6. Yemen’s economy is not dependent on oil and gas. |

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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 Yemen’s highlands?

What is Yemen’s area approximately?

What type of cuisine is Yemen known for?

What challenges does Yemen face?

Who are the small minorities in Yemen?

What is Yemen’s history known for?

What is the importance of Socotra Island?

**Solution sheet 1**

**Yemen**

**Match terms**

Sanaa = capital and cultural center of Yemen

Himjar = ancient kingdom in Yemen’s history

Socotra = Yemeni island with unique flora and fauna

Saba = part of Yemen’s ancient civilization

Islamized = Yemen converted to Islam in 7th century

Afro-Yemenis = minority ethnic group in Yemen

Civil War = ongoing conflict in Yemen since 2015

Saffron = spice used in Yemeni cuisine

Socotra = Yemeni island, UNESCO World Heritage Site

Keyword: CONTAINER

**Complete sentences**

Yemen borders Saudi Arabia | and Oman.

Sanaa has many historic buildings | in Yemen.

Yemen’s desert is extremely | dry and hot.

Music and dance are important | in Yemeni culture.

Yemeni cuisine is known for | its spices.

Socotra Island is part of | Yemen.

Yemen faces a severe humanitarian | crisis.

Keyword: DIAMOND

**Questions**

What is the capital of Yemen?

Sanaa

What type of climate prevails in Yemen’s coastal regions?

hot and humid

What is Yemen’s main economic dependence?

oil and gas exports

Who is the predominant population in Yemen?

Arabs

What type of vegetation is Socotra known for?

unique flora and fauna

What plays an important role in Yemeni culture?

music and dance

Keyword: SQUARE

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. Yemen is located in the southwest of the Arabian Peninsula.

4. Sanaa is the capital and cultural center of Yemen.

5. Yemen has been affected by a civil war since 2015.

wrong

6. Yemen’s economy is not dependent on oil and gas.

2. Yemen borders Iran to the north.

3. Socotra is not a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Keyword: CAMERA

**Solution sheet 2**

**Yemen**

**Questions and answers**

What is the climate like in Yemen’s highlands?

The climate in Yemen’s highlands is milder.

What is Yemen’s area approximately?

Yemen has an area of around 527,970 square kilometers.

What type of cuisine is Yemen known for?

Yemeni cuisine is known for its spices and flavors.

What challenges does Yemen face?

Yemen faces challenges like civil war and humanitarian crises.

Who are the small minorities in Yemen?

Afro-Yemenis and South Asians are minorities in Yemen.

What is Yemen’s history known for?

Yemen’s history includes ancient civilizations like Saba and Himjar.

What is the importance of Socotra Island?

Socotra Island is a UNESCO World Heritage Site with unique biodiversity.