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| Nicaragua Exercises | about-the-world.org/3275 | **Video + Exercises** |

**Match terms**

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

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| (A) | Nicarao | (1) | mixed indigenous and European ancestry |
| (A) | Rio San Juan | (2) | name of an indigenous tribe |
| (C) | Mestizos | (3) | volcanic island in Lake Nicaragua |
| (C) | La Gritería | (4) | annual religious and cultural festival |
| (E) | Mestizos | (5) | indigenous language of Nicaragua |
| (L) | Ometepe | (6) | capital and largest city of Nicaragua |
| (L) | Managua | (7) | important river in Nicaragua |
| (T) | Agua | (8) | Spanish word for water |
| (U) | Miskito | (9) | people of mixed European and indigenous descent |

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**Complete sentences**

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

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| (B) | Nicaragua is located ... | (1) | ... in Central America. |
| (C) | Managua, the capital, ... | (2) | ... to the north. |
| (C) | Coffee is a major ... | (3) | ... is on Lake Managua. |
| (E) | La Gritería celebrates ... | (4) | ... tropical climate. |
| (I) | It borders Honduras ... | (5) | ... Nicaraguan export. |
| (L) | Ometepe is an island ... | (6) | ... in Lake Nicaragua. |
| (Y) | Nicaragua has a ... | (7) | ... the Virgin Mary. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | What is the capital of Nicaragua? |
| (N) | Managua |
| (R) | Granada |
| (V) | Leon |
| 2. | What is the name of the famous volcanic island in Nicaragua? |
| (A) | Solentiname Islands |
| (S) | Corn Islands |
| (U) | Ometepe |
| 3. | What is the main language spoken in Nicaragua? |
| (M) | Spanish |
| (N) | Miskito |
| (R) | English |
| 4. | What type of climate does Nicaragua have? |
| (B) | tropical |
| (R) | desert |
| (V) | temperate |
| 5. | Which country borders Nicaragua to the south? |
| (A) | El Salvador |
| (E) | Costa Rica |
| (S) | Honduras |
| 6. | What is celebrated during „La Gritería“? |
| (A) | Independence Day |
| (R) | Virgin Mary |
| (V) | Easter |

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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. Nicaragua borders Costa Rica to the south. |
| (F) | (A) | 2. Nicaragua is in South America. |
| (R) | (M) | 3. Managua is located on the Pacific coast. |
| (E) | (R) | 4. Lake Nicaragua contains freshwater sharks. |
| (R) | (T) | 5. Nicaragua became independent in 1821. |
| (E) | (A) | 6. English is the official language of Nicaragua. |

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**7 Questions about the text**

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

What is the largest lake in Central America?

What is a mestizo?

What does „Agua“ mean in Spanish?

What is an important Nicaraguan export product?

What type of natural disasters can occur in Nicaragua?

Where is the Rio San Juan located?

What is a significant event in Nicaraguan history?

**Solution sheet 1**

**Nicaragua**

**Match terms**

Mestizos = mixed indigenous and European ancestry

Nicarao = name of an indigenous tribe

Ometepe = volcanic island in Lake Nicaragua

La Gritería = annual religious and cultural festival

Miskito = indigenous language of Nicaragua

Managua = capital and largest city of Nicaragua

Rio San Juan = important river in Nicaragua

Agua = Spanish word for water

Mestizos = people of mixed European and indigenous descent

Keyword: CALCULATE

**Complete sentences**

Nicaragua is located | in Central America.

It borders Honduras | to the north.

Managua, the capital, | is on Lake Managua.

Nicaragua has a | tropical climate.

Coffee is a major | Nicaraguan export.

Ometepe is an island | in Lake Nicaragua.

La Gritería celebrates | the Virgin Mary.

Keyword: BICYCLE

**Questions**

What is the capital of Nicaragua?

Managua

What is the name of the famous volcanic island in Nicaragua?

Ometepe

What is the main language spoken in Nicaragua?

Spanish

What type of climate does Nicaragua have?

tropical

Which country borders Nicaragua to the south?

Costa Rica

What is celebrated during „La Gritería“?

Virgin Mary

Keyword: NUMBER

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. Nicaragua borders Costa Rica to the south.

4. Lake Nicaragua contains freshwater sharks.

5. Nicaragua became independent in 1821.

wrong

6. English is the official language of Nicaragua.

2. Nicaragua is in South America.

3. Managua is located on the Pacific coast.

Keyword: CAMERA

**Solution sheet 2**

**Nicaragua**

**Questions and answers**

What is the largest lake in Central America?

Lake Nicaragua is the largest lake in Central America.

What is a mestizo?

A mestizo is a person of mixed indigenous and European descent.

What does „Agua“ mean in Spanish?

Agua means water in Spanish.

What is an important Nicaraguan export product?

Coffee is an important export product of Nicaragua.

What type of natural disasters can occur in Nicaragua?

Hurricanes can occur in Nicaragua from June to November.

Where is the Rio San Juan located?

The Rio San Juan is an important river in Nicaragua.

What is a significant event in Nicaraguan history?

The civil war in the 1980s was a significant event in Nicaraguan history.