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| Iraq Exercises | about-the-world.org/3238 | **Video + Exercises** |

**Match terms**

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

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| (C) | Literacy rate | (1) | ancient civilization in Iraq |
| (E) | Shatt al-Arab | (2) | waterway to Persian Gulf |
| (E) | Nowruz | (3) | mountain range in northern Iraq |
| (E) | Tigris and Euphrates | (4) | New Year festival, popular with Kurds |
| (E) | Marshlands | (5) | former president of Iraq |
| (F) | Zagros Mountains | (6) | major rivers in Iraq |
| (N) | Desert climate | (7) | predominant climate in Iraq |
| (R) | Mesopotamia | (8) | percentage of literate people |
| (R) | Saddam Hussein | (9) | wetlands in southern Iraq |

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**Complete sentences**

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

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| (C) | The Tigris and Euphrates ... | (1) | ... in the Middle East. |
| (E) | Ancient Mesopotamia was located ... | (2) | ... of Iraq. |
| (E) | Iraq’s nature includes deserts, ... | (3) | ... and hot. |
| (I) | Baghdad is the capital city ... | (4) | ... in Iraq. |
| (L) | Iraq’s climate is mainly desert-like ... | (5) | ... on oil exports. |
| (N) | Iraq’s economy relies heavily ... | (6) | ... are important rivers. |
| (S) | Iraq borders six countries ... | (7) | ... mountains, rivers. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | What is Iraq’s capital city? |
| (B) | Baghdad |
| (R) | Basra |
| (V) | Mosul |
| 2. | What is the predominant climate in Iraq? |
| (A) | desert-like |
| (B) | tropical |
| (S) | temperate |
| 3. | Which festival is popular with Kurds in Iraq? |
| (N) | Christmas |
| (R) | Nowruz |
| (T) | Diwali |
| 4. | What are the major rivers in Iraq? |
| (B) | Tigris and Euphrates |
| (R) | Indus and Ganges |
| (V) | Nile and Jordan |
| 5. | Which mountains are in northern Iraq? |
| (A) | Rockies |
| (E) | Zagros Mountains |
| (S) | Himalayas |
| 6. | Which ancient civilization was located in Iraq? |
| (A) | Egypt |
| (R) | Mesopotamia |
| (V) | Maya |

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**Right or wrong?**

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

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| right | wrong |  |
| (J) | (V) | 1. Iraq is located in the Middle East. |
| (F) | (U) | 2. Iraq has direct access to the sea. |
| (R) | (N) | 3. The capital of Iraq is Damascus. |
| (G) | (R) | 4. Baghdad is the capital of Iraq. |
| (L) | (T) | 5. The Tigris and Euphrates are in Iraq. |
| (A) | (E) | 6. Iraq has a predominantly cold climate. |

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**7 Questions about the text**

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

What is the Shatt al-Arab?

Who was Saddam Hussein?

What is significant about Mesopotamia?

What is the literacy rate about?

What type of climate does northern Iraq have?

Why are the Tigris and Euphrates important?

What are marshlands?

**Solution sheet 1**

**Iraq**

**Match terms**

Mesopotamia = ancient civilization in Iraq

Shatt al-Arab = waterway to Persian Gulf

Zagros Mountains = mountain range in northern Iraq

Nowruz = New Year festival, popular with Kurds

Saddam Hussein = former president of Iraq

Tigris and Euphrates = major rivers in Iraq

Desert climate = predominant climate in Iraq

Literacy rate = percentage of literate people

Marshlands = wetlands in southern Iraq

Keyword: REFERENCE

**Complete sentences**

Iraq borders six countries | in the Middle East.

Baghdad is the capital city | of Iraq.

Iraq’s climate is mainly desert-like | and hot.

Ancient Mesopotamia was located | in Iraq.

Iraq’s economy relies heavily | on oil exports.

The Tigris and Euphrates | are important rivers.

Iraq’s nature includes deserts, | mountains, rivers.

Keyword: SILENCE

**Questions**

What is Iraq’s capital city?

Baghdad

What is the predominant climate in Iraq?

desert-like

Which festival is popular with Kurds in Iraq?

Nowruz

What are the major rivers in Iraq?

Tigris and Euphrates

Which mountains are in northern Iraq?

Zagros Mountains

Which ancient civilization was located in Iraq?

Mesopotamia

Keyword: BARBER

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. Iraq is located in the Middle East.

4. Baghdad is the capital of Iraq.

5. The Tigris and Euphrates are in Iraq.

wrong

6. Iraq has a predominantly cold climate.

2. Iraq has direct access to the sea.

3. The capital of Iraq is Damascus.

Keyword: JUNGLE

**Solution sheet 2**

**Iraq**

**Questions and answers**

What is the Shatt al-Arab?

The Shatt al-Arab is a waterway connecting Iraq to the Persian Gulf.

Who was Saddam Hussein?

Saddam Hussein was a former president of Iraq.

What is significant about Mesopotamia?

Mesopotamia is an ancient civilization that existed in Iraq.

What is the literacy rate about?

The literacy rate indicates the percentage of literate people in a population.

What type of climate does northern Iraq have?

Northern Iraq has a temperate climate with more rainfall.

Why are the Tigris and Euphrates important?

The Tigris and Euphrates are major rivers vital for Iraq’s geography and history.

What are marshlands?

Marshlands are wetlands found in southern Iraq, important for ecology.