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**Match terms**

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

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| (A) | Bishkek | (1) | country in Central Asia |
| (E) | Kyrgyzstan | (2) | no access to the sea |
| (E) | Continental climate | (3) | cold winters, hot summers |
| (I) | Issyk-Kul | (4) | ancient trade route |
| (L) | Landlocked | (5) | capital of Kyrgyzstan |
| (N) | Literacy rate | (6) | based on agriculture, livestock |
| (O) | Nomadic culture | (7) | second largest mountain lake |
| (T) | Agrarian economy | (8) | traditional lifestyle in Kyrgyzstan |
| (V) | Silk Road | (9) | percentage of literate people |

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**Complete sentences**

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

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| (I) | The nomadic way of life ... | (1) | ... and Uzbekistan. |
| (K) | Tourism is growing in importance ... | (2) | ... with distinct seasons. |
| (M) | Bishkek is known for its ... | (3) | ... Soviet architecture. |
| (N) | Education is adapting from ... | (4) | ... is Muslim. |
| (P) | Kyrgyzstan borders Kazakhstan ... | (5) | ... in the economy. |
| (P) | The majority of the population ... | (6) | ... influences Kyrgyz culture. |
| (U) | It has a continental climate ... | (7) | ... its Soviet past. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | What is the capital of Kyrgyzstan? |
| (F) | Bishkek |
| (R) | Dushanbe |
| (V) | Osh |
| 2. | Which mountain ranges cover much of Kyrgyzstan? |
| (A) | Tian Shan and Pamir |
| (B) | Rocky and Andes |
| (S) | Himalayas and Altai |
| 3. | What is Kyrgyzstan’s main climate type? |
| (N) | Mediterranean |
| (R) | Tropical |
| (T) | Continental |
| 4. | What was Kyrgyzstan part of before 1991? |
| (H) | Soviet Union |
| (R) | British Empire |
| (V) | Ottoman Empire |
| 5. | What is the main religion in Kyrgyzstan? |
| (A) | Buddhism |
| (E) | Islam |
| (S) | Christianity |
| 6. | Which lake is a famous destination in Kyrgyzstan? |
| (A) | Balkhash |
| (R) | Issyk-Kul |
| (V) | Baikal |

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**Right or wrong?**

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

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| right | wrong |  |
| (B) | (V) | 1. Kyrgyzstan became independent in 1991. |
| (F) | (A) | 2. Kyrgyzstan borders the Caspian Sea. |
| (R) | (N) | 3. Bishkek is known for its modern skyscrapers. |
| (A) | (R) | 4. Lake Issyk-Kul is a popular tourist destination. |
| (N) | (T) | 5. The Kyrgyz majority speak Kyrgyz and Russian. |
| (E) | (A) | 6. Agriculture is a minor sector in Kyrgyzstan’s economy. |

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**7 Questions about the text**

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

What does „landlocked“ mean for Kyrgyzstan?

Why is Bishkek important?

What is the national dish of Kyrgyzstan?

Why is the Silk Road significant for Kyrgyzstan?

How does the climate affect Kyrgyzstan’s landscape?

What is notable about Kyrgyzstan’s education?

How does nomadic culture influence Kyrgyzstan?

**Solution sheet 1**

**Kyrgyzstan**

**Match terms**

Kyrgyzstan = country in Central Asia

Landlocked = no access to the sea

Continental climate = cold winters, hot summers

Silk Road = ancient trade route

Bishkek = capital of Kyrgyzstan

Agrarian economy = based on agriculture, livestock

Issyk-Kul = second largest mountain lake

Nomadic culture = traditional lifestyle in Kyrgyzstan

Literacy rate = percentage of literate people

Keyword: ELEVATION

**Complete sentences**

Kyrgyzstan borders Kazakhstan | and Uzbekistan.

It has a continental climate | with distinct seasons.

Bishkek is known for its | Soviet architecture.

The majority of the population | is Muslim.

Tourism is growing in importance | in the economy.

The nomadic way of life | influences Kyrgyz culture.

Education is adapting from | its Soviet past.

Keyword: PUMPKIN

**Questions**

What is the capital of Kyrgyzstan?

Bishkek

Which mountain ranges cover much of Kyrgyzstan?

Tian Shan and Pamir

What is Kyrgyzstan’s main climate type?

Continental

What was Kyrgyzstan part of before 1991?

Soviet Union

What is the main religion in Kyrgyzstan?

Islam

Which lake is a famous destination in Kyrgyzstan?

Issyk-Kul

Keyword: FATHER

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. Kyrgyzstan became independent in 1991.

4. Lake Issyk-Kul is a popular tourist destination.

5. The Kyrgyz majority speak Kyrgyz and Russian.

wrong

6. Agriculture is a minor sector in Kyrgyzstan’s economy.

2. Kyrgyzstan borders the Caspian Sea.

3. Bishkek is known for its modern skyscrapers.

Keyword: BANANA

**Solution sheet 2**

**Kyrgyzstan**

**Questions and answers**

What does „landlocked“ mean for Kyrgyzstan?

It means Kyrgyzstan has no access to the sea.

Why is Bishkek important?

Bishkek is the political and economic center of Kyrgyzstan.

What is the national dish of Kyrgyzstan?

Beshbarmak is the national dish of Kyrgyzstan.

Why is the Silk Road significant for Kyrgyzstan?

The Silk Road was an ancient trade route through Kyrgyzstan.

How does the climate affect Kyrgyzstan’s landscape?

The continental climate results in diverse landscapes.

What is notable about Kyrgyzstan’s education?

Kyrgyzstan has a high literacy rate and many schools.

How does nomadic culture influence Kyrgyzstan?

Nomadic culture shapes traditional music and dance.