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| Bulgaria Exercises | about-the-world.org/3099 | **Video + Exercises** |

**Match terms**

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

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| (A) | Balkan Peninsula | (1) | southeast European region where Bulgaria is located |
| (D) | Temperate Continental | (2) | climate in northern Bulgaria with varied seasons |
| (E) | Slavic Tribes | (3) | ancient empire that once ruled over Bulgaria |
| (E) | Rakia | (4) | ethnic groups that helped form Bulgaria in the 7th century |
| (N) | Roma | (5) | minority ethnic group in Bulgaria’s population |
| (R) | Rhodopes | (6) | capital and largest city of Bulgaria |
| (T) | Sofia | (7) | Bulgaria’s economic system with free market principles |
| (U) | Open Market Economy | (8) | major mountain range in Bulgaria |
| (V) | Byzantine Empire | (9) | traditional Bulgarian schnapps |

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**Complete sentences**

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

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| (A) | Sofia is the political, economic ... | (1) | ... and North Macedonia. |
| (A) | Bulgaria gained independence officially ... | (2) | ... and cultural center of Bulgaria. |
| (C) | Bulgaria borders Romania, Serbia, ... | (3) | ... and grilled meat dishes. |
| (I) | The Rose Festival in Bulgaria ... | (4) | ... northern parts of Bulgaria. |
| (N) | Bulgarian majority population is ... | (5) | ... in the year 1908. |
| (P) | Bulgarian cuisine includes stews ... | (6) | ... features collecting rose petals. |
| (T) | Temperate continental climate dominates ... | (7) | ... ethnic Bulgarians. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | What is the capital of Bulgaria? |
| (R) | Varna |
| (S) | Sofia |
| (V) | Plovdiv |
| 2. | Which sea borders Bulgaria to the east? |
| (A) | Aegean Sea |
| (P) | Black Sea |
| (S) | Adriatic Sea |
| 3. | What is the traditional Bulgarian schnapps called? |
| (I) | Rakia |
| (N) | Whisky |
| (R) | Vodka |
| 4. | Which mountain range is in Bulgaria? |
| (A) | Carpathians |
| (R) | Rhodopes |
| (V) | Alps |
| 5. | What is the main climate in northern Bulgaria? |
| (A) | Tropical |
| (I) | Temperate continental |
| (S) | Mediterranean |
| 6. | When did Bulgaria become officially independent? |
| (R) | 1990 |
| (T) | 1908 |
| (V) | 1878 |

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**Right or wrong?**

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

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| right | wrong |  |
| (F) | (V) | 1. Bulgaria is located in south-eastern Europe on the Balkan Peninsula. |
| (F) | (L) | 2. Bulgaria shares a border with Germany. |
| (R) | (O) | 3. The majority of Bulgaria’s population are Turks. |
| (W) | (R) | 4. Sofia is the capital and largest city of Bulgaria. |
| (E) | (T) | 5. Bulgaria became officially independent in 1908. |
| (A) | (R) | 6. Bulgaria’s economy is solely based on tourism. |

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**7 Questions about the text**

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

What is the population of Bulgaria?

Who were the Thracians?

Describe the climate in southern Bulgaria.

What are the main sectors of Bulgaria’s economy?

Name a famous Bulgarian festival.

What is a popular Bulgarian food?

Which river crosses Bulgaria?

**Solution sheet 1**

**Bulgaria**

**Match terms**

Balkan Peninsula = southeast European region where Bulgaria is located

Temperate Continental = climate in northern Bulgaria with varied seasons

Byzantine Empire = ancient empire that once ruled over Bulgaria

Slavic Tribes = ethnic groups that helped form Bulgaria in the 7th century

Roma = minority ethnic group in Bulgaria’s population

Sofia = capital and largest city of Bulgaria

Open Market Economy = Bulgaria’s economic system with free market principles

Rhodopes = major mountain range in Bulgaria

Rakia = traditional Bulgarian schnapps

Keyword: ADVENTURE

**Complete sentences**

Bulgaria borders Romania, Serbia, | and North Macedonia.

Sofia is the political, economic | and cultural center of Bulgaria.

Bulgarian cuisine includes stews | and grilled meat dishes.

Temperate continental climate dominates | northern parts of Bulgaria.

Bulgaria gained independence officially | in the year 1908.

The Rose Festival in Bulgaria | features collecting rose petals.

Bulgarian majority population is | ethnic Bulgarians.

Keyword: CAPTAIN

**Questions**

What is the capital of Bulgaria?

Sofia

Which sea borders Bulgaria to the east?

Black Sea

What is the traditional Bulgarian schnapps called?

Rakia

Which mountain range is in Bulgaria?

Rhodopes

What is the main climate in northern Bulgaria?

Temperate continental

When did Bulgaria become officially independent?

1908

Keyword: SPIRIT

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. Bulgaria is located in south-eastern Europe on the Balkan Peninsula.

4. Sofia is the capital and largest city of Bulgaria.

5. Bulgaria became officially independent in 1908.

wrong

6. Bulgaria’s economy is solely based on tourism.

2. Bulgaria shares a border with Germany.

3. The majority of Bulgaria’s population are Turks.

Keyword: FLOWER

**Solution sheet 2**

**Bulgaria**

**Questions and answers**

What is the population of Bulgaria?

The population of Bulgaria is around 7 million people.

Who were the Thracians?

The Thracians were ancient people living in the area now known as Bulgaria.

Describe the climate in southern Bulgaria.

The climate in southern Bulgaria is more Mediterranean.

What are the main sectors of Bulgaria’s economy?

The main sectors are agriculture, industry, and services.

Name a famous Bulgarian festival.

The Rose Festival is a well-known Bulgarian festival.

What is a popular Bulgarian food?

Yoghurt and cheese are popular in Bulgarian cuisine.

Which river crosses Bulgaria?

The Danube River crosses Bulgaria.