Baltic States & Border Nations

Chapter 19 Section 4 - pages 406 - 411

Directions: As you read Section 4, complete the chart below by answering the questions about the Baltic States and border nations.

Define:

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Which three nations on the coast of the Baltic Sea were officially republics of the Soviet Union until it broke apart in 1991?

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The language of which nation is closely related to Finnish?

4.

Which nation is known as a ‘breadbasket’ of Eastern Europe because of its productive farmland?

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Which nation had more than one fifth of its farmland contaminated by radiation blown across it after the accident at Chernobyl?

6.

What nation has a population mostly of Romanian descent and continues to have strong ties to Romania?

7.

What is the main physical feature of the Baltic states?

8.

Why were the Baltic states parts of the Soviet Union before it broke up in 1991?

9.

What is Ukraine’s major export to Russia and other nearby nations?

10.

How have Belarus and Russia worked to strengthen economic ties?

11.

What advantage does Ukraine have over Moldova and Belarus in terms of trade? (map p.407)

12.

Why did the Soviet Union establish naval bases in the Baltic states?

13.

Look at the chart on page 409 to answer the following questions

What does GDP per capita mean?

14.

What does GDP growth rate mean?

15.

Which nation that appears to have the strongest economy? Why do you think it is the strongest?

16. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_-because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The nation that appears to have the weakest economy is:

17. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Make a bar graph comparing the three highest and three lowest countries GDP per capita **or** GDP Growth Rate.

Be sure to include a title and labels.

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