

Newspaper Activities

Healthy eating

This is a great time of year for fresh fruits and vegetables. Look in the grocery ads of your newspaper. Cut out pictures of all the fruits and vegetables shown in the ads. Use the pictures to create a chart that shows all the healthy choices for this time of year.

Back to school on a budget

Pretend you have \$100 to spend on new clothes for school. Make a list of what you would like to get, then check out the clothing ads in the newspaper. What can you buy with your \$100? How much more would it cost to buy everything you want?

The health care debate

Find news stories and editorials in your newspaper about the health care debate. List all the arguments for and against providing a public option in any health care reform bill. Then write your own editorial stating your case using the best arguments you found.

Writing Activity

Rap it

Find an editorial in your newspaper that you strongly agree with. Express yourself in powerful rhyme by writing rap lyrics on this issue.

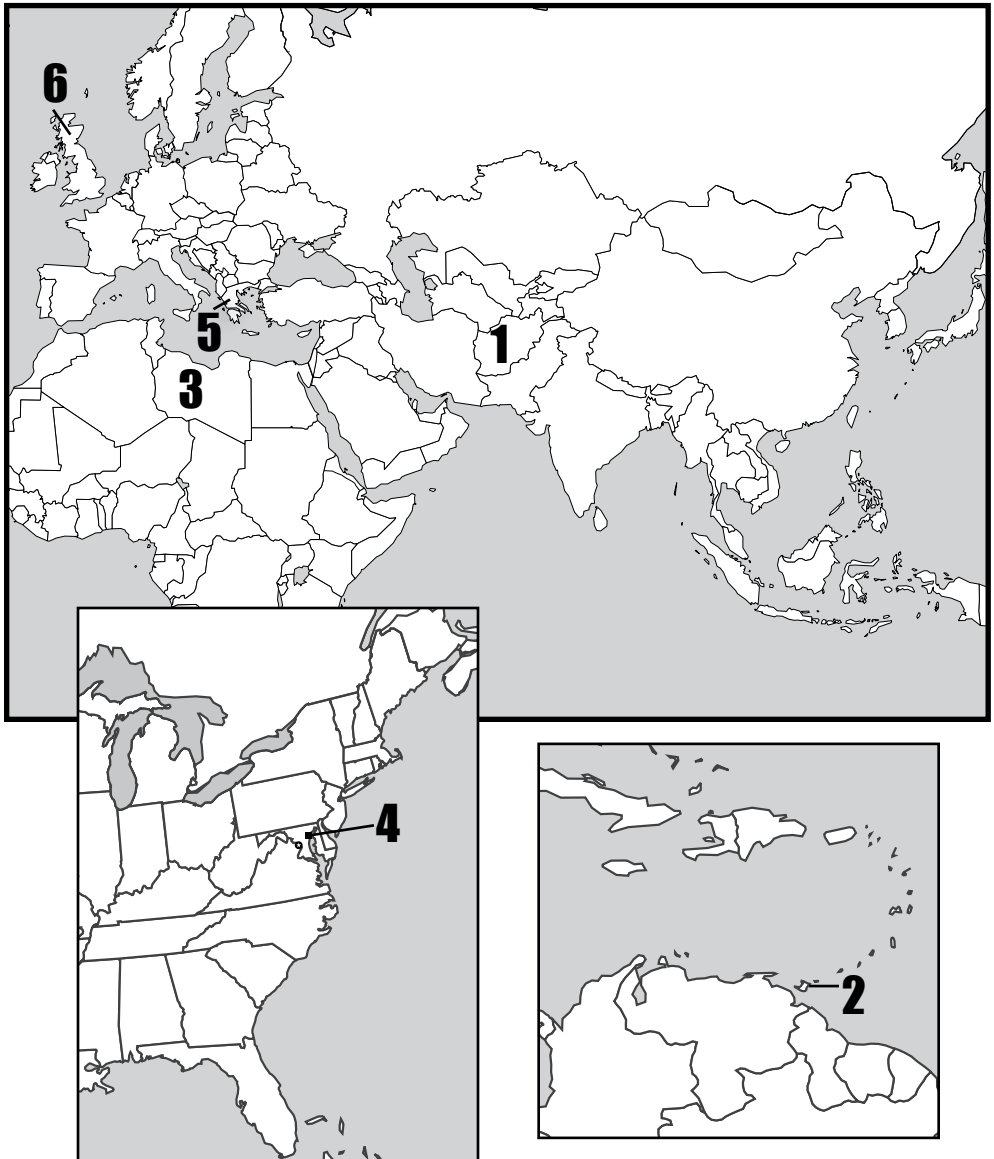
WHERE IN THE WORLD?

reproducible activity

Write the names and numbers of the locations on the map next to their descriptions below.

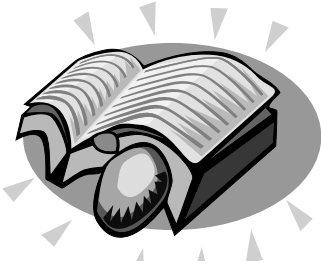
- a. This Asian nation's recent elections were marred by violence.
- b. Abdel Baset al-Megrahi was released to this North African country.
- c. Wildfires have damaged parts of this European country.
- d. In 1988, a Pan Am jet was bombed over this European country, killing 270 people.
- e. This Caribbean nation is the birthplace of calypso.
- f. Thurgood Marshall was born in this U.S. city.

Answers on inside back cover



Word Search

All over the country kids are saying goodbye to summer, and hello to homework. Your assignment this week is to find as many back-to-school terms as you can.



CHALKBOARD
CLASSROOM
HOMEWORK
NOTEBOOK
PENCILS
PENS

PLAYGROUND
SCHOOL BUS
STUDENTS
TEACHER
TEST
TEXTBOOK

Solution on inside back cover

V S G O O K P E N C I L S Q O D P P
I P C E O Q E E K H B L T H S G R O
P R T P K V N U L I Y F L O T R G O
W O C L A S S R O O M M B M E E R T
R U N A B T R C H S D Y T E S T E P
T T A Y A O P E N C I L S W R N T I
R S O G N N R K A H D E C O M S C B
C K O R S S E S W O O M C R U I H D
B R I O B O B A G O C D O K R W A E
O E B U C R H K A L I C L O W E L R
E N C N L T E X T B O O K C A U K L
S T U D E N T S R U A A B I L C B E
R O P L D Q B L V S O Z E A C O O M
U C A O R U E R A E I H S F O T A A
S O N O T E B O O K A G R G L S R R
S R I Z E G M B C N D M A A L I D M
E A L C A A K I H E H T U P A S B O
L N L T E A C H E R S N W Q R D U

Answers to Where in the World:

a-1, Afghanistan; b-3, Libya; c-5, Greece; d-6, Scotland; e-2, Trinidad and Tobago; f-4, Baltimore, Maryland

Solution to Word Search:

V S G O O K P E N C I L S Q O D P P
I P C E O Q E E K H B L T H S G R O
P R T P K V N U L I Y F L O T R G O
W O C L A S S R O O M M B M E E R T
R U N A B T R C H S D Y T E S T E P
T T A Y A O P E N C I L S W R N T I
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C K O R S S E S W O O M C R U I H D
B R I O B O B A G O C D O K R W A E
O E B U C R H K A L I C L O W E L R
E N C N L T E X T B O O K C A U K L
S T U D E N T S R U A A B I L C B E
R O P L D Q B L V S O Z E A C O O M
U C A O R U E R A E I H S F O T A A
S O N O T E B O O K A G R G L S R R
S R I Z E G M B C N D M A A L I D M
E A L C A A K I H E H T U P A S B O
L N L T E A C H E R S N W Q R D U S

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