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R E A D

Read all social studies units slowly. If what you read does not make sense, it means that you might have read something wrong—REREAD.

HINT: *Sometimes you must read something 4 or 5 times to understand it.*

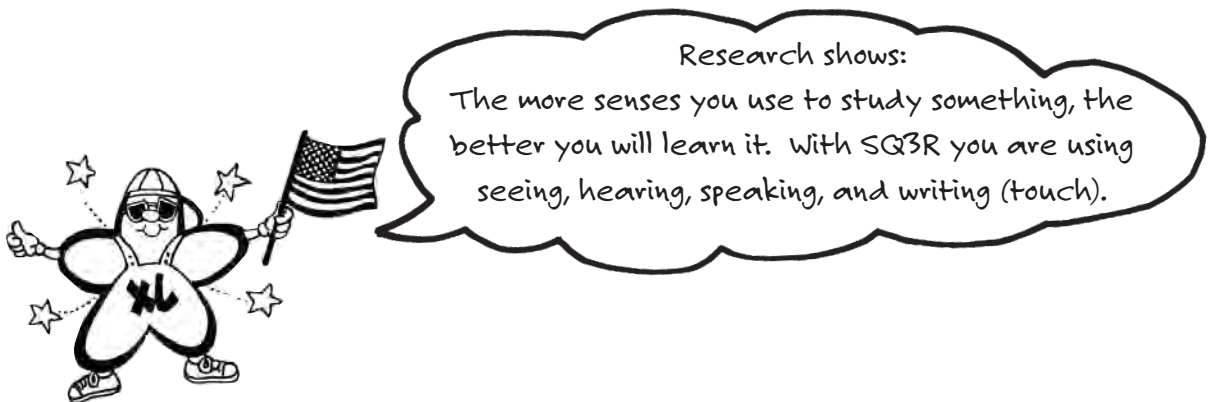
R E C I T E

Retell what you have read. If you cannot say it in your own words, it means that you did not understand it. REREAD. (It helps to take notes of the facts you have read. They will help you to study for a test later.)

HINT: *Just the act of writing will help you remember!*

R E V I E W

Several days before a test, go through the chapter again. Try to state the information in your own words. Have someone else ask you questions from the book or your notes. (If you did all the other steps, this one should be the easy part!)





Unit 1:

All About Communities



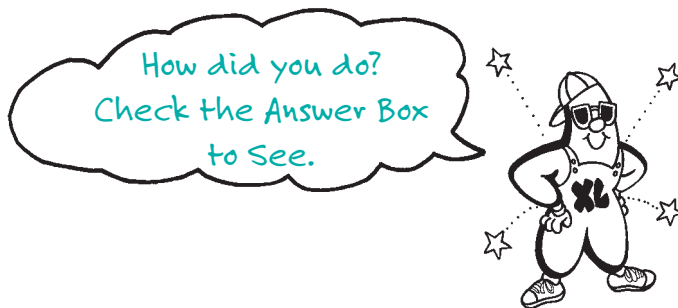
After surveying the story, I can tell that:

1. The work fire fighters do is called a _____.
 - a. service
 - b. citizen
2. The United States is a community with _____.
 - a. 50 cities
 - b. 50 states
3. The Earth has _____.
 - a. ten continents
 - b. seven continents



After looking at the objective questions, I can tell that:

4. Maps may have a _____ to help us.
 - a. map key
 - b. law
5. A symbol _____.
 - a. stands for something
 - b. plays music



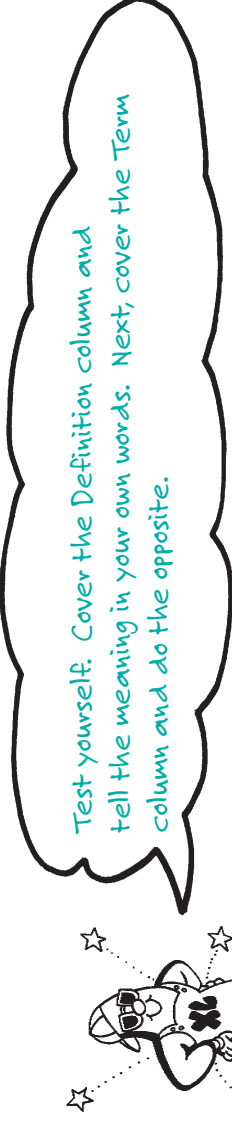
ANSWER BOX

1. The work fire fighters do is called a service.
2. The United States is a community with 50 states.
3. The Earth has seven continents.
4. Maps may have a map key to help us.
5. A symbol stands for something.

Read the following selection carefully. Stop after each section to tell the main idea in your own words.



TERMS TO REMEMBER The following Names, Dates, Places, and Words about communities are important to remember. Study them carefully. The sentences will help you understand their meanings.



TERM	DEFINITION	SENTENCE
Africa	A continent south of Europe	Africa is the second largest continent on Earth.
Antarctica	A continent at the southern tip of the world	No one can live on Antarctica because it is covered with ice.
Asia	The largest continent	More than half the people in the world live in Asia .
Australia	The smallest continent	Australia is an island continent.
citizen	A person who lives in a city, town, or country	A citizen who lives in Texas can only vote in that state.
climate	How the weather usually is in a place	The desert has a hot and dry climate .
community	A place where people live and work together	Everyone in the community voted for a new town swimming pool.
compass rose	A drawing that shows North, South, East, and West	The compass rose on the map showed us that we were traveling north.
continent	One of the large pieces of land on the globe	Earth has seven continents .

TERM	DEFINITION	SENTENCE
country	A land lived in by people with the same government	All people in this country must obey the laws of the United States.
Earth	The planet we live on	Our planet, Earth , has seven continents.
Eastern Hemisphere	One half of the Earth on the eastern side of the Atlantic Ocean	Europe, Asia, Africa, and Australia are all in the Eastern Hemisphere .
Europe	A continent east of the Atlantic Ocean	Europe is a continent that has many small countries.
globe	A round model of the Earth	A globe helps you find places in the world.
goods	Things made to be sold	The store owner sells his goods to make money.
map	A flat picture of the Earth	The map shows that Mexico is south of the United States.
map key	A list of symbols on a map	You may look on the map key to find out what the symbols mean.
map scale	shows how far away two places are	A map scale may show that one inch equals 100 miles.
North America	A continent in the Western Hemisphere	The United States is a country in North America .
Northern Hemisphere	The part of the Earth that is north of the equator	The Northern Hemisphere reaches from the Equator to the North Pole.
oceans	The four largest bodies of water on the Earth	The Atlantic and Pacific Oceans border the United States.

TERM	DEFINITION	SENTENCE
planet	A body that travels around the sun	The Earth is one of nine planets that circle the sun.
service	Work that someone does for other people	A policeman provides a service for people.
South America	The continent below North America on the map.	Brazil is a country in South America .
Southern Hemisphere	The land south of the equator	The whole continent of Australia is in the Southern Hemisphere .
symbol	Something that stands for something else	The United States flag is a symbol of our country.
Western Hemisphere	The half of the Earth that lies on the western side of the Atlantic Ocean	North and South America are both in the Western Hemisphere .

Objective Questions

Circle the correct answer choice for each question.



Look back at the story
to find the answers!
It helps to underline the proof.

1. What does Jenny's whole address tell?
 - a. her name, city and state
 - b. her neighborhood
 - c. all the communities she belongs to
 - d. the whole address needed to send a letter
2. Tom and Jenny live in:
 - a. different countries
 - b. different states
 - c. different continents
 - d. different planets
3. How are all communities the same?
 - a. They make rules for all to follow.
 - b. People live and work together there.
 - c. All communities have jobs.
 - d. all of the above
4. The climate of a community is:
 - a. the weather it has most of the time
 - b. a change in the weather
 - c. a sudden snowstorm
 - d. the work people do

Objective Questions

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5. What is the Earth?
- a. a country b. a planet
c. a continent d. a hemisphere
6. The largest pieces of land on Earth are
- a. continents b. countries
c. states d. areas
7. The story tells that the Earth has:
- a. more land than water
b. more water than land
c. more mountains than rivers
d. more deserts than cities
8. What separates the Northern Hemisphere from the Southern Hemisphere?
- a. the North Pole b. the South Pole
c. Europe d. the Equator
9. Many maps have a map key to help us. What does it do?
- a. It tells you how to use the map.
b. It opens parts of the map.
c. It tells about the history of a place.
d. It tells about the people that live in a place.
10. If you want to know how faraway a place is,
- a. look at the compass rose b. look at the equator
c. look at the map scale d. look at the table of contents



Objective Questions



- 11.** A symbol stands for something. What do the two symbols in the picture above stand for?
- a. Texas
 - b. Georgia
 - c. the United States
 - d. the Earth
- 12.** Why are there 50 stars on the flag?
- a. one for each city
 - b. one for each country
 - c. one for each President
 - d. one for each state

Constructed-Response Questions

Write your answers to the questions that follow in the spaces provided.

Reading maps can be tricky. Check the TITLE, MAP KEY, and the COMPASS ROSE.



This map shows Tom's home state, Texas. Use the map to answer the questions below.

1. What is the capital of Texas?

2. Which large body of water is southeast of Texas?

3. In which city is the Alamo found?

4. What country lies south of Texas?
