

CHAPTER 13

**Guided Reading Strategies 13.2
Natural Environments of Europe**

READING THE SECTION As you read the section, examine each of the pairs of statements below. Circle the letter of the statement in each pair that is true.

- 1. **a.** The marine west coast climate is found throughout most of southern and eastern Europe.
b. The marine west coast climate is found throughout most of northern and western Europe.
- 2. **a.** Frequent Pacific storms bring clouds and rain to the region.
b. Frequent Atlantic storms bring clouds and rain to the region.
- 3. **a.** Areas in Europe with a humid continental climate have four distinct seasons.
b. Areas in Europe with a humid continental climate are snowy and cold all year.
- 4. **a.** Most of southern Europe has a tundra climate.
b. Most of southern Europe has a Mediterranean climate.
- 5. **a.** A subarctic climate stretches across northern Norway, Sweden, and Finland.
b. A subarctic climate stretches across Great Britain, Ireland, and Iceland.
- 6. **a.** Compared to world regions of similar latitude, much of Europe has mild climates.
b. Compared to world regions of similar latitude, much of Europe has harsh climates.
- 7. **a.** The North Atlantic Drift is a cool wind current.
b. The North Atlantic Drift is a warm ocean current.
- 8. **a.** Much of Europe lies within a tundra biome.
b. Much of Europe lies within a temperate forest biome.
- 9. **a.** Boreal forests make up most of Europe’s remaining woodlands.
b. Small trees, shrubs, and drought-resistant plants make up most of Europe’s remaining woodlands.
- 10. **a.** The land in the tundra biome is frozen most of the year.
b. The land in the tundra biome is covered with evergreen trees.

POST-READING QUICK CHECK After you have finished reading the section, in the space provided, explain how the North Atlantic Drift and prevailing westerly winds affect Europe’s climates.
