

CHAPTER 13

Chapter Tutorial

Natural Environments of Europe

IDENTIFYING TERMS Choose the term that correctly matches each definition.

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| _____ 1. fjords | a. lands reclaimed from the sea |
| _____ 2. polders | b. deep enough and wide enough for shipping |
| _____ 3. dikes | c. earthen walls |
| _____ 4. navigable | d. fine-grained, windblown soil that is very fertile |
| _____ 5. loess | e. narrow deep inlets of the sea set between high rocky cliffs |

UNDERSTANDING MAIN IDEAS

1. How did glaciers affect the landscape of Europe?

2. Why do the Rhine and Danube stand out among Europe’s most important rivers?

3. What are Europe’s three major climate types?

4. Identify Europe’s four major biomes.

5. Where are some of Europe’s best farming soils found?

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THINKING CRITICALLY

1. Analyzing Information Why is Europe ideally suited for trade by sea?

2. Drawing Conclusions Why is it that much of Europe has mild temperatures compared to world regions of similar latitude?

3. Summarizing How have human activities affected Europe's plants and wildlife?

EXPLORING INTERDISCIPLINARY TOPICS

1. Economics What role does fishing play in the European economy?

2. Science and Technology Why are many Europeans worried about the use of nuclear power?

WRITING ABOUT GEOGRAPHY

Informing Imagine that you live in the Netherlands and have been asked by the publisher of a children's encyclopedia to contribute a short entry about polders. Write a rough draft of your article.