

Guided Reading Strategies 14.1

Northern and Western Europe

READING THE SECTION As you read the section, circle the boldface word or phrase that best completes each statement below.

- 1. The United Kingdom is often referred to as just Wales / Great Britain.
- 2. Northern England, Wales, and Scotland make up highland / lowland Britain.
- 3. The Celts / Normans were the ancestors of the Scots, Welsh, and Irish.
- **4.** During the 1800s the British Empire ruled more than **one half** / **one fourth** of the world's land area.
- 5. Ireland did not win independence from the British until 1821 / 1921.
- **6.** About 1 million Irish died in the mid-1800s when Ireland experienced a **potato** / **corn** famine.
- 7. Both Ireland and Britain are constitutional monarchies / democracies.
- 8. The vast majority of people in Ireland are Protestant / Roman Catholic.
- 9. London / Dublin is Ireland's capital and its most populous city.
- **10.** The Industrial Revolution began in **Britain** / **Ireland**.
- **11.** Today, much of Britain's labor force works in **service industries** / **manufacturing**.
- **12.** Ireland has **high** / **low** taxes and a well-educated workforce.

POST-READING QUICK CHECK After you have finished reading the section, in the space provided, write the full names of the two independent countries that make up the British Isles.

- 1. Name: _____
- **2.** Name: _____