

CHAPTER 25

Guided Reading Strategies 25.2

India

READING THE SECTION As you read the section, examine the riddles below. Solve each riddle by writing the correct word or words in the space provided.

- _____ **1.** “We started moving into northern India from central Asia about 1500 B.C. Gradually, our influence spread throughout northern India. Who are we?”
- _____ **2.** “I was born Siddhartha Gautama. I taught the concepts of Buddhism. By what name did I become known?”
- _____ **3.** “I invaded India in 1520. After I took over most of northern India I founded the Mughal Empire. My ancestors Timur and Genghis Khan would be proud of me. Who am I?”
- _____ **4.** “By the mid-1800s we controlled about half of the Indian subcontinent. The East India Company controlled India for our government. Who are we?”
- _____ **5.** “In 1857 we rebelled against the British officers under whom we served as troops. Our mutiny convinced Britain that it needed to rule India directly. Who are we?”
- _____ **6.** “I led the independence movement in India. My followers called me Mahatma, or “Great Soul.” Who am I?”
- _____ **7.** “I am the religion practiced by about 80 percent of India’s people. My followers believe in reincarnation, dharma, and karma. What religion am I?”
- _____ **8.** “I am a long rectangle of cloth that Indian women wear wrapped around their bodies as clothing. A blouse called a *choli* is worn underneath me. What am I?”

POST-READING QUICK CHECK After you have finished reading the section, in the space provided, explain why India was partitioned in 1947.
