

**CHAPTER 23**

**Guided Reading Strategies 23.2**

**East Africa**

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

1. Some of the earliest human remains have been found in Olduvai Gorge in **Tanzania / Kenya**.
2. East Africa’s earliest cultures kept **written journals / oral histories** that they passed from one generation to the next.
3. One of the wealthiest and most powerful East African kingdoms was **Nairobi / Kush**.
4. Swahili is a **language / religion** widely **spoken / practiced** in East Africa.
5. The **French / Portuguese** built the first European forts on the East African coast in the 1500s.
6. **Sudan / Ethiopia** remained largely free of colonial rule.
7. In 1977 **Djibouti / Eritrea** became the last European colony to win independence.
8. East Africans who follow Arab traditions live mostly along the **Indian / Pacific** Ocean coast.
9. Traditional East African religions are **universalist / animist**, meaning that they believe in spirits.
10. Ethiopia and Eritrea use a grain called **teff / sisal** to make a large flat rubbery bread.

**POST-READING QUICK CHECK** After you have finished reading the section, in the space provided, explain how Islam was introduced into East Africa.

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