

CHAPTER 26

Guided Reading Strategies 26.2

The Indian Perimeter

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

1. By about 1500 B.C. **Aryans** / **Turkic Muslims** had moved into what is now Pakistan.
2. After independence in 1947 India was divided into two countries, based on **race** / **religion**.
3. In 1971 East Pakistan became the independent country of **Bangladesh** / **Nepal**.
4. When Sri Lanka was a British colony, it was known as **Ceylon** / **Mughal**.
5. Before it gained independence in 1965, the Maldives was a **French** / **British** protectorate.
6. Pakistan's traditional regions share some common features, such as the importance of **Buddhism** / **Islam**.
7. Nepal's official language is **English** / **Nepali**.
8. Most of the people who live in Bangladesh are **Bengalis** / **Sinhalese**.
9. **Muslims** / **Christians** make up the majority of the population in Pakistan, Bangladesh, and the Maldives.
10. The kingdom of **Bangladesh** / **Nepal** is the world's only officially Hindu state.

POST-READING QUICK CHECK After you have finished reading the section, in the space provided, discuss education in the Indian Perimeter.
