

**CHAPTER 29**

**Guided Reading Strategies 29.3**

**Mainland Southeast Asia**

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

1. Laos and Cambodia are **rich and developed** / **poor and underdeveloped**.
2. **Myanmar** / **Thailand** is considered to be one of the “Asian Tigers.”
3. Both Laos and **Vietnam** / **Cambodia** have Communist governments.
4. The leading economic power in mainland Southeast Asia is **Thailand** / **Cambodia**.
5. ASEAN is a(n) **military alliance** / **economic association** made up of the countries of Southeast Asia.
6. Most people in the region live in rural areas and are **subsistence farmers** / **miners**.
7. **Bangkok** / **Ho Chi Minh City** is the largest city in mainland Southeast Asia.
8. Thailand and Vietnam are two of the world’s largest exporters of **wheat** / **rice**.
9. **Laos** / **Thailand** is the world’s leading producer of natural rubber.
10. The canals found in Bangkok are known as **klongs** / **wats**.

**POST-READING QUICK CHECK** After you have finished reading the section, in the space provided, identify the capitals of each of the following countries.

1. Cambodia: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Laos: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Myanmar: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Thailand: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Vietnam: \_\_\_\_\_