

**pirogues** (pi rōgz') – Long narrow canoes.

**vendors** (ven' dərz) – People who sell food or other items to buyers.

**Read these words to someone.**

Kisangani (kē' sən gän' ē)

Saskatchewan (sas kach' ə wən)

Manitoba (mən' ə tō' bə)

Kinshasa (kin shäs' ə)

Lualaba (lü' ə läb' ə)

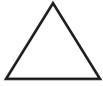
mangrove (man' grōv)

Belgium (bel' jəm)

Matadi (mə täd' ē)

Algeria (əl jir' ē ə)

Belgian (bel' jən)



**Read “Zaire (Congo), in the Heart of Africa” on pages 433, 434**

**Complete the sentences.**

1. Zaire lies near the \_\_\_\_\_ of Africa.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ was the official name given to Zaire by a new ruler in the year \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. *Zaire* comes from an African word meaning “\_\_\_\_\_ .”
4. Five rivers that flow through Zaire are the \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , and \_\_\_\_\_ Rivers. The largest of these rivers is the \_\_\_\_\_ .
5. Before Zaire became a nation, it was called \_\_\_\_\_ .

**Map Activity**

6. Ask your teacher for a map of Zaire. Label the capital city, nine other cities, and five rivers. Write the official name of the country above its outline.



**Have your teacher check your map before you put it in your folder.**



**Read “A Trip Along the Mighty River” on pages 434-437.**

**Answer the questions.**

7. Why does the ocean water look muddy near the mouth of the Congo?

\_\_\_\_\_

8. Name the two sandy points of land on either side of the mouth of the Congo River. \_\_\_\_\_

9. What do mangrove trees need to grow?

\_\_\_\_\_

10. What are two benefits of mangrove trees growing along the ocean shore?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



**Complete the sentences.**

11. A ship cannot sail on the Congo to \_\_\_\_\_, the capital of Zaire, because the river \_\_\_\_\_ over 800 feet from the highland.

12. The people of Zaire travel in \_\_\_\_\_ to trade with steamers on the Congo River.

13. Although \_\_\_\_\_ is the official language of Zaire, more than \_\_\_\_\_ other languages are spoken.

14. The second largest \_\_\_\_\_ in the world is in Zaire.

15. Another name for the Congo River is \_\_\_\_\_, south of Kisangani.

16. The Congo River begins in the northern part of \_\_\_\_\_ at about \_\_\_\_\_ feet ( \_\_\_\_\_ m) above sea level.

17. The Congo River is the \_\_\_\_\_ longest and the \_\_\_\_\_ largest river in the world.



**Name Zaire’s chief products.**

18. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## We Remember



### Match.

19. \_\_\_\_ tapioca
20. \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ weapons and cancer treatment
21. \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ flavoring for foods
22. \_\_\_\_ tooth fillings
23. \_\_\_\_ cooking oil
24. \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ made into flour
25. \_\_\_\_ coins
26. \_\_\_\_ hardest of all minerals

r. gold

s. radium

t. cobalt

u. diamonds

v. cassava

w. cloves

x. oil palm kernels

y. vanilla beans

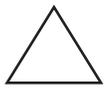
z. yams

## Lesson 13

## Resources in Zaire

**insecticides** (in sek' tə sīdz) – Poisonous sprays to kill insects.

### Read these words to someone.



Zairians (zä ir' ē ənz)  
tsetse (tset' sē)

nagana (nə gän' ə)  
cacao (kə kă' ō)



Read “Natural Resources in the Land of the Great River” on page 438.

### Complete the sentences.

1. Zaire has \_\_\_\_\_ miles ( \_\_\_\_\_ km) of railroad and \_\_\_\_\_ miles ( \_\_\_\_\_ km) of river that can be traveled by boat.
2. The country's greatest resources are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. \_\_\_\_\_ is cheaper than \_\_\_\_\_ .



The people of Zaire have not used many of their waterfalls for hydroelectricity.

### Complete these sentences to explain why.

4. Hydroelectric power plants produce cheaper electricity, but it is very \_\_\_\_\_ to build these power plants.
5. Many falls are not near \_\_\_\_\_ or places where the electricity would be \_\_\_\_\_ .

6. Hundreds of miles of \_\_\_\_\_ would need to be built across \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.



**Follow the directions.**

7. Tell how a cacao fruit grows differently from an apple.

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8. Describe the extra work made by the many waterfalls in Zaire.

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**Read “Farming and Food Resources” on pages 439, 440. Follow the directions.**

9. Name six crops grown in Zaire. \_\_\_\_\_

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10. Name six products of Zaire that come from trees. \_\_\_\_\_

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11. Name four animals that live in Zaire. \_\_\_\_\_



**Answer the questions.**

12. What happens to a small plot of land after it has been farmed for a few years?

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13. How has modern farming failed in the rain forest? \_\_\_\_\_

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14. How is the disease *nagana* spread in Zaire? \_\_\_\_\_

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15. What is nagana called in people? \_\_\_\_\_

**We Remember**



**Write true or false.**

16. \_\_\_\_\_ Mangrove trees help build up rich soil along the shore.

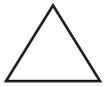
17. \_\_\_\_\_ The name *Zaire* means “river” in an African language.

18. \_\_\_\_\_ Zaire's official name is the Democratic Republic of Congo.
19. \_\_\_\_\_ Apes are tailless and are larger and more intelligent than monkeys.
20. \_\_\_\_\_ The waters of the Congo reach thirty miles into the ocean.
21. \_\_\_\_\_ Zaire (Congo) is in the center of Africa.
22. \_\_\_\_\_ A pirogue is a long narrow canoe.

## Lesson 14

## Minerals and People in Zaire

Read these words to someone.



industrial (in dəs' trē əl)

Kikongo (ki kong' gō)

Swahili (swä hē' lē)

Pygmies (pig' mēz)

Watusi (wä tü' sē)



Read "Mineral Resources" on page 440 and answer the questions.

1. What are eight mineral resources found in Zaire? Circle the three most important.

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. What are some things made from copper? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

3. What are industrial diamonds? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



Read "The People of Zaire," "Life Among the People of Zaire," and "Tribal Religions in Zaire" on pages 440, 441. Answer the questions.

4. How many of Zaire's people have black skin? \_\_\_\_\_

5. How tall are these people? a. Pygmies \_\_\_\_\_

b. Watusi \_\_\_\_\_

c. most Zairians \_\_\_\_\_

6. What are three languages spoken in Zaire? Circle the one spoken by government leaders. \_\_\_\_\_

7. Why do schools in Zaire teach French? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

8. Where do most of the people of Zaire live? \_\_\_\_\_



**Describe the dress of these Zairian people.**

- 9. women \_\_\_\_\_
- 10. men with important jobs \_\_\_\_\_
- 11. farmers and other workers \_\_\_\_\_



**Answer the questions.**

- 12. What are the traditional African religions like? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 13. How does a witch doctor try to help a sick person? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 14. What have Christian missionaries done for the people of Zaire? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



**What Does the Bible Say? Read the verse and answer the question.**

- 15. Many Zairians are poor people. Read Proverbs 19:17. According to this verse, those who help the poor are actually doing what?  
\_\_\_\_\_

**We Remember**



**Complete the sentences.**

- 16. Farms in Zaire are usually \_\_\_\_\_ so that the land can \_\_\_\_\_ after a few years of farming.
- 17. \_\_\_\_\_ on the rivers cause a lot of extra work.
- 18. Electricity made from water power is called \_\_\_\_\_ .
- 19. Zaire grows tropical fruits such as \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , and \_\_\_\_\_ .
- 20. Cattle and horses can get a disease called \_\_\_\_\_ , which is spread by the \_\_\_\_\_ fly.
- 21. The world's \_\_\_\_\_ largest rain forest is located in Zaire.
- 22. \_\_\_\_\_ other rivers in the world are longer than the Congo, but only the \_\_\_\_\_ carries more water.