

### Exercises

Fill in the blanks.

- 1) The capital of Greenland is Nuuk, earlier called Godthab.
- 2) The Frigid Zone in which most of Greenland is situated is also called the Tundra region.
- 3) Huge pieces of ice floating in the sea are known as icebergs.
- 4) The original inhabitants of Greenland are the Inuit, also called Eskimos.
- 5) Igloos are temporary house built ~~to~~ made of blocks of ice by the Inuit.

Match the columns.

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|------------------------|----------------------------------|
| a) Eric, the red       | 1) - boat (e)                    |
| b) Sisimut             | 2) warmest part of Greenland (d) |
| c) Arctic circle       | 3) gave the name Greenland (a)   |
| d) South-western coast | 4) passes through Greenland (c)  |
| e) Kayaks              | 5) towns in Greenland (b)        |

Answer the following question

1) What type of climate does Greenland have?

Ans) Climate of Greenland:

- i) Greenland lies in the Northern hemisphere
- ii) Northern Hemisphere has a very cold climate
- iii) This region is also known as Tundra region
- iv) Eighty percent of Greenland is always covered with ice.
- v) Huge pieces of ice frequently break off float in the sea. They are called icebergs. They pose great danger to ships in the sea.
- vi) The south-western coast of Greenland is the warmest part of the country. Most of the people live here.

2) What are icebergs? In what ways are they dangerous?

Ans) A very large piece of ice floating in the sea is called an iceberg. They are dangerous because icebergs are actually much larger than they seem. This is because when an iceberg floats on



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water, most of it remains under water.  
Therefore they pose great danger to ships  
in the sea.

3) Describe the wildlife of Greenland.

Ans) Wildlife of Greenland:  
Only those animals that can withstand the  
extreme cold are found in Greenland. Among  
them are:

- i) Polar bear
- ii) Reindeer
- iii) Musk ox
- iv) Wolf
- v) Arctic fox
- vi) Seal
- vii) Fishes
- viii) Sea birds

4) What is the main occupation of Inuits?

Ans) The main occupation of Inuits are hunting  
and fishing.

• Hunting

- i) Earlier they use bows and harpoons to hunt
- ii) But now they use guns
- iii) The skin and fur of the animals are used to make clothes
- iv) The fat is used as fuel

• Fishing

- i) They use boats called kayaks for fishing in the sea
- ii) Fish processing is the major industry in Greenland.
- iii) They hunt seal with the help of harpoon

5) What kind of clothes do most people in Green Greenland wear?

Ans) Parkas - Men, women and children wear jacket with hands lined with fur called parkas  
Long boots - They wear long boots made of seal skin to keep their feet warm in snow.

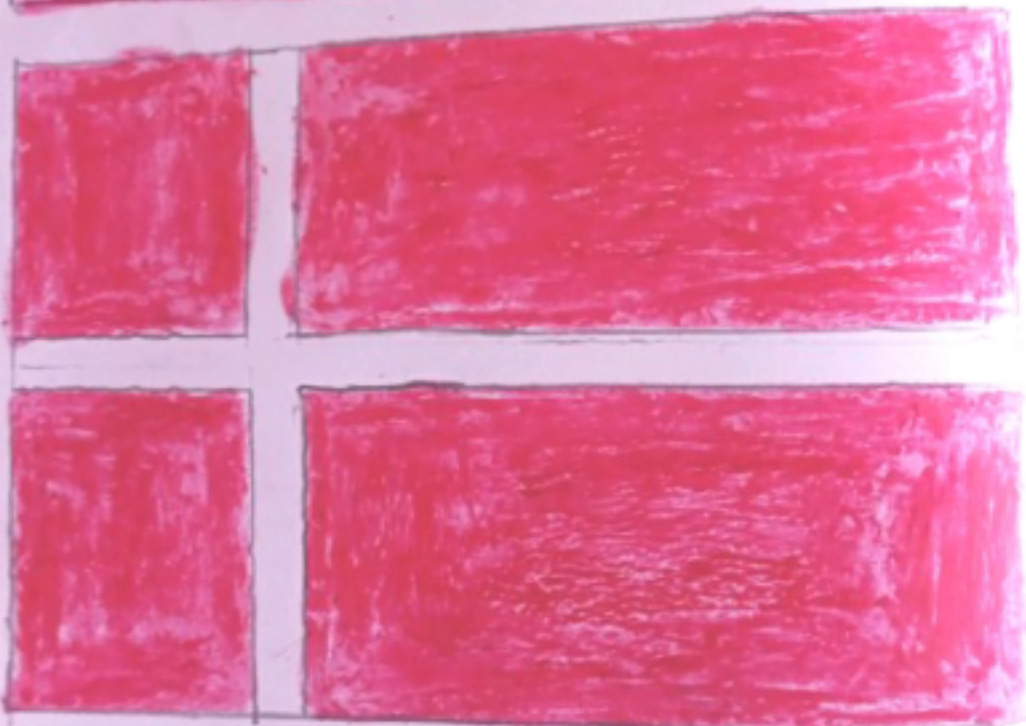
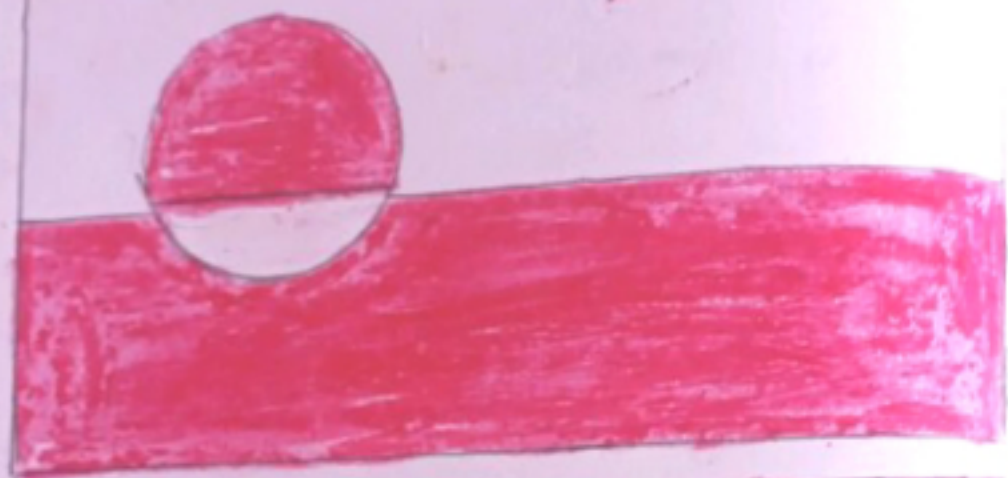
Q) How have modern facilities changed the lives of the Inuits?

Ans) The lifestyle of Inuits has changed over a period due to the modern facilities such as modern way of living.

- Now they are living in wooden house.
- They eat cooked or canned food.
- They use guns for hunting.
- They use motorized sledges.
- They work in towns.
- They send their children to school.
- They are getting medical facilities.



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