

# Guided Reading Activity



## Tropical North

### Lesson 3 *Life in the Tropical North*

**Essential Question:** What makes a culture unique?

### People and Places

**Directions:** Use your textbook to complete these statements about the people of the Tropical North and the places they live.

1. The country in the Tropical North with the largest indigenous population is \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The largest ethnic group living in Colombia is \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Suriname's largest ethnic group is made up of the descendants of \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Ethnic Africans make up one-third of the population of \_\_\_\_\_.
5. In most countries in the Tropical North, most of the people live in \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Most Venezuelans live \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Together, the populations of Guyana, Suriname, and French Guiana total only about half the population of \_\_\_\_\_.
8. Most people in Guyana live on the coast in \_\_\_\_\_.

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### People and Cultures

**Directions:** Complete the table with information about the people and cultures of the Tropical North.

Country	Language(s) Spoken	Religion
Ecuador		
Colombia		
Venezuela		
Guyana		
Suriname		

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### Ongoing Issues

**Directions:** Use your textbook to answer the questions about ongoing issues in the Tropical North.

1. What are the countries in the Tropical North doing to improve trade relations? \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. How is the Colombian government working to improve its relationship with the United States? \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. Why is Venezuela’s relationship with the United States strained?  
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4. What is FARC and what is the organization’s role in Colombia?  
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