

**Chapter 4: The Geography and History of Southwest Asia (Middle East)**

**Section 1: The Geography of Southwest Asia**

**Section 1: Physical Geography**

**Directions:** Use the map on page 65 of your textbook to answer the questions.

- 1. What are the two largest countries in Southwest Asia? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. What body of water separates Saudi Arabia and Iran? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. What body of water borders Israel? \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. What is the capital city of Saudi Arabia? \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions:** Write one or two complete sentences to answer each question.

5. Why is the Suez Canal important to trade?

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6. What vital resource is in short supply in Southwest Asia and what are answers to the issue?

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7. How does technology lead to environmental protection?

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8. What major rivers are located in the region? Why are they important?

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9. What are the different regions of Israel? Why are they divided?

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10. What are the two major deserts of Southwest Asia?

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11. What is the primary resource for the wealthiest of Southwest Asian countries?

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