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Chapter 5: Language (page 136)

1. Compare language and literary tradition?

2. Define official language

Key Issue 1: Where Are English-Language Speakers Distributed? (page 137)

3. What factors have allowed English to be distributed all over the world?

5. List three regions of the world where English is an official language or is widely spoken (see map on page 138):

5.a.

5.b.

5.c.

6. Define the following:

6.a. Dialect

6.b. standard language

6.d. isogloss

Key Issue 2: Why is English Related to Other Languages? (page 143)

7. Define each of the following and use English as an example for each one:

7.a._ Language Family

7.b._ Language Branch

7.c._ Language Group

8. What is the most widely spoken languages of the Indo-Iranian Branch of the Indo-European Language Family? Where is it spoken?

8.a.

9. What is the most widely spoken language of the Balto-Slavic Branch? Where is it spoken?

10. What are the four most widely used languages of the Romance Branch of the Indo-European Language Family?

10.a.

10.b.

10.c.

10.d.

11. From where did the Romance languages originate?

12. How and to where did these languages diffuse?

13. Define creole (creolized language):

14. Where did the Indo-European language family originate?

Key Issue 3: Where Are Other Language Families Distributed ?
(page 151) *Note: The entire reading is about the language tree on pages 154 & 155.

16. Below is the world's two major language Families. What percentage of the world speaks a language of this family and where are these speakers primarily located?

16.a._ Indo European Family

16.b.__ Sino-Tibetan Family

17. What is the most spoken Afro-Asiatic language? Why does this language family have particular religious significance?

Key Issue 4: Why Do People Preserve Local Languages? (page 156)

19. Give two examples of extinct languages:

19.a.

19.b.

20. Define isolated languages: _

21. Give one example of an isolated language and where it is spoken:

21.a.

22. Define the following:

22.a. _lingua franca

22.b. _pidgin languages

22.c. _franglais

23. Why are some people in France upset by the widespread use of English?