Capital City Broadcast

Trace countries, capitals, and regions across two continents

6.G.1 "Demonstrate a broad understanding of the major countries, capitals, and/or regions of Europe and the Americas."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline each country name, circle each capital city name, and box each region name to show where the radio crew's stops belong.

Three Reports for a Geography Show

1. A student radio crew is planning a geography show about Europe. Their first report covers southwestern Europe, where Portugal's capital is Lisbon and Spain's capital is Madrid. Listeners might picture ships leaving a harbor or crowds passing shops. The crew then heads to northern Europe: the United Kingdom's capital is London, a city on the River Thames. For central Europe, the crew names Poland and its capital, Warsaw. These four stops show that Europe has several regions, not just one group of countries.

2. The next broadcast explores North America. Canada's capital is Ottawa, while the United States has Washington, D.C., as its capital. Farther south, Mexico's capital is Mexico City. The crew also explains that Central America and the Caribbean are regions within North America. Panama is in Central America, and its capital is Panama City. Cuba is an island country in the Caribbean, and its capital is Havana. These places show why North America includes more than the three large countries many people first name.

3. The final report travels across South America. Brazil's capital is Brasília, not its larger city of Rio de Janeiro. Argentina's capital is Buenos Aires, near the Atlantic coast. Peru's capital is Lima, on the Pacific coast, and Chile's capital is Santiago, farther south and inland. The crew notes that the Andes Mountains run along the western side of South America, including parts of Peru and Chile. Knowing each capital's country helps listeners sort the stops, even when the route crosses mountains and coasts.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Name the two countries in southwestern Europe from the first report. What is each country's capital?

2. Which country in northern Europe does the crew name, and what is its capital?

3. For both Panama and Cuba, name the region and capital given in the passage.

4. What are the capitals of Peru and Chile? Which capital is farther south?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Choose four countries and their capitals from the passage, with at least one country from Europe, North America, and South America. Write a four-sentence travel plan in your own order, and name the region of at least two stops.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline each country name, circle each capital city name, and box each region name to show where the radio crew's stops belong. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Name the two countries in southwestern Europe from the first report. What is each country's capital?	**Portugal: Lisbon. Spain: Madrid.**
2	Which country in northern Europe does the crew name, and what is its capital?	**The United Kingdom: London.**
3	For both Panama and Cuba, name the region and capital given in the passage.	**Panama: Central America, Panama City. Cuba: the Caribbean, Havana.**
4	What are the capitals of Peru and Chile? Which capital is farther south?	**Peru: Lima. Chile: Santiago. Santiago is farther south.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

I begin in southwestern Europe at Lisbon, the capital of Portugal. Next I travel to Ottawa, the capital of Canada, in North America. Then I visit Brasília, the capital of Brazil, in South America. My final stop is Lima, the capital of Peru.

Accept any four accurate country-capital pairs from the passage if the plan includes all three continents and correctly names regions for at least two stops. Countries and capitals may appear in any order.