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Exploring North America Answer Key

1. The United States, Canada, and Mexico.
2. Answers will vary. Example: The Grand Canyon is well known for its deep cliffs and colorful rock layers.
3. Answers will vary. Example: The Arctic tundra is unique because it stays cold and frozen most of the year.
4. Possible answers include bison, bears, eagles, or wolves.
5. Because it has many different landscapes, cultures, and natural features.

Teacher's Guide

Purpose: This worksheet introduces students in grades 3 to 5 to the continent of North America using an engaging informational reading passage and comprehension questions.

Instruction Tips

- Preteach vocabulary such as continent, region, landmark, tundra, and civilization.
- Read the passage aloud for struggling readers or allow partner reading.
- Encourage students to highlight key details such as countries, landmarks, and regions.

Differentiation

- For students needing support, provide sentence starters for open ended questions.
- For advanced learners, ask them to write a short paragraph comparing two regions mentioned in the passage.
- Offer optional word banks for English language learners.

Engagement Ideas

- Have students mark North America on a classroom map after completing the worksheet.
- Invite students to share a place in North America they would like to visit and explain why.
- Use photos of the landmarks mentioned to build visual interest.