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Countries and Regions Quiz

Historians often refer to the 18th and 19th centuries as the 'Colonial Era.' While colonialism has existed throughout the course of human history, it was during this period that many European countries carved out large overseas empires. They then exploited these overseas possessions for economic gain. Match the countries listed on the left to the regions described on the right.

1. Spain ____
2. Belgium ____
3. France ____
4. Japan ____
5. The United States ____
6. Germany ____
7. Russia ____
8. Turkey ____
9. England ____
10. Portugal ____

- A. Purchased Alaska from the Russians in 1865.
- B. Egypt, the Sudan, India, and South Africa.
- C. An early colonial power whose possessions included Mexico, Cuba, and the Philippines.
- D. Siberia, much of Poland, and three small countries known as the Baltic States.
- E. Their language is still spoken in Brazil today.
- F. The region of eastern Africa south of Lake Victoria that includes the country now called Kenya.
- G. An area in Central Africa known as the Congo.
- H. Most of the Korean Peninsula.
- I. Large areas of the Middle East including Armenia and Iraq.
- J. Large areas of West Africa including Algeria and Mali.

Explanation of Terms:

Baltic States- Lithuania, Estonia, and Latvia.

Armenia- A region located between the Black Sea and the Caspian Sea, South of the Caucasus Mountains

Lake Victoria- Africa's largest lake.