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COUNTRIES

Question: What do you already know about Iceland?



- Complete the paragraph on the right with the words on the left.



Welcome to Iceland!

Welcome to my home, the second largest island in Europe, and one of the most (1)_____ places in the world. Welcome to Iceland! The first people to live in Iceland arrived there from Northern Europe about 1,200 years ago. First Norway and then Denmark (2)_____ Iceland for hundreds of years until its (3)_____ in 1918. At one time it was one of the poorest countries in the world, but it is now one of the richest. Fishing is a very important part of its (4)_____. The (5)_____ is only about 320,000 and most of its people speak a (6)_____ called Icelandic. Many Icelanders also speak English very well. Reykjavik, the (7)_____, is home to about two-thirds of the people of Iceland, while about 19,000 people in the country are foreign workers. The (8)_____ is cold. The July high temperature is usually only around 10 degrees Celsius, and in winter about 3 or 4 degrees below zero. Iceland is (9)_____ its many beautiful (10)_____ – these are large (11)_____ of ice and snow that you can see in both summer and winter. There are also many active (12)_____, with the last major eruption of fire and rocks and smoke in 2011. This is Iceland, my home!

- C capital city *n.*
- climate *n.*
- controlled *v.*
- E economy *n.*
- F fascinating *adj.*
- G glaciers *n.*
- I independence *n.*
- K known for *phr.*
- L language *n.*
- M mountains *n.*
- P population *n.*
- V volcanos *n.*

(about 200 words)