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North Carolina: People, Places, & Progress

Chapter 15: A New Century for North Carolina

Section 1: The Impact of Global Change

Focused Reading

Instructions: Read the section and complete each item with words from the passages in this section.

1. The early years of the _____ - _____ century brought rapid change to North Carolina.
2. The traditional _____ of the state had to adapt to new conditions or die out. Sometimes this meant that the jobs of North Carolinians were “moved” _____.
3. At the start of the new century, North Carolina remained the largest _____ employer in the nation. However, one by one, _____ mills in towns across the _____ shut their doors and ceased to operate.
4. The problem plaguing textiles was largely _____.
5. After years of lawsuits over the health risks of _____, American tobacco companies—including those in North Carolina—agreed to help finance a “buyout” of tobacco _____.
6. _____ companies continued to operate in the state in the new century, despite the fact that far fewer Americans _____ than had been in case a half century before.
7. North Carolina _____ also lost market share for its products. Twenty-five _____ closed in the first five years of the century.
8. Despite the loss of traditional _____ jobs in the state, employment remained high in most communities because of the _____ of new types of work.

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9. _____ became a global financial leader, because new technology allowed banks and customers to communicate around the world in seconds.
10. By 2005, the world's top five makers of digitally based _____ like cell phones and laptop computers had concentrated many of their operations in North Carolina.
11. North Carolina also emerged as a leader in the field of _____ (the use of living organisms to make or modify products).
12. Even _____ continued to go high tech, as it became increasingly concentrated in North Carolina.
13. In the first years of the century, thousands of people from _____ the United States moved to North Carolina.
14. The most visible newcomers came from _____, the countries of _____, and the _____. North Carolina had a _____ rate of growth among these immigrants than any other state.
15. Latinos came to the state most often for _____ opportunity.
16. All of the _____ to North Carolina brought elements of their home culture with them.
17. On _____ 11, 2001, North Carolinians had their lives disrupted by the _____ on the World Trade Center in New York City and the Pentagon outside Washington, DC.
18. North Carolina quickly had a _____ role in the "war on terror."

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19. In 2003, the United States launched “Operation Iraqi Freedom” in an effort to stop the spread of _____. Again, the state’s military _____ were central to the American mission.

20. The war on terror actually _____ jobs in North Carolina after 2003. While _____ in other states were closed, all five local operations were maintained.