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##### Section 1 Agribusiness

**Directions:** Use the information from pages 387 - 393 to complete the following.

1. Alabama has a \_\_\_\_\_ season and excellent \_\_\_\_\_.
2. What was once called agriculture is now \_\_\_\_\_.
3. New \_\_\_\_\_ and chemicals \_\_\_\_\_ (changed) farming methods after World War II.
4. Farms have become much \_\_\_\_\_ because of modern \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Since the farmer supplies goods for other people to use, he or she is a \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Farmers also become \_\_\_\_\_ when they use items that others make.
7. The state's most \_\_\_\_\_ agricultural \_\_\_\_\_ are cattle, catfish, cotton, peanuts, poultry, eggs and \_\_\_\_\_ (plants) and sod goods.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ are birds raised to eat or lay eggs such as chickens, turkeys, and quail.
9. Alabama's \_\_\_\_\_ makes it possible for farmers to \_\_\_\_\_ almost any \_\_\_\_\_.

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10. Alabama-grown \_\_\_\_\_ include peaches, apples, strawberries, pears, watermelons, blueberries, and cantaloupes.
11. \_\_\_\_\_ is the state's largest nonpoultry meat product.
12. \_\_\_\_\_ (growing fish or plant crops in water) is a newer part of the state's agribusiness.
13. Some farmers in the southern part of the state raise another kind of food — \_\_\_\_\_.
14. Shrimp, \_\_\_\_\_, and other great \_\_\_\_\_ are caught and processed in Mobile and across the Gulf Coast.
15. The state's warm and humid climate helps \_\_\_\_\_ grow rapidly.
16. The \_\_\_\_\_ is the state's largest \_\_\_\_\_ industry.

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##### Section 2 Transportation

**Directions:** Use the information from pages 394 - 398 to complete the following.

1. There are four main ways to \_\_\_\_\_ in Alabama: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Alabama has about 100,000 miles of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ industry is a major transportation business.
4. The Alabama Department of Transportation is called \_\_\_\_\_.
5. It \_\_\_\_\_, builds, and takes care of the state's bridges, roads, and tunnels.
6. Most of the \_\_\_\_\_ for keeping roads in good condition comes from \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Some \_\_\_\_\_ for roads come from the \_\_\_\_\_ government.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ are a very important way to carry \_\_\_\_\_,
9. One kind of rail shipment is called \_\_\_\_\_ or intermodal. This means that goods are sent in \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Only one \_\_\_\_\_ now serves the state.
11. Alabama's \_\_\_\_\_ transportation routes are \_\_\_\_\_ to the state and the nation.
12. Alabama's \_\_\_\_\_ are used to \_\_\_\_\_ to and from the Port of Mobile.
13. A river system is a major \_\_\_\_\_ and its tributaries.
14. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a stream that feeds into a river.

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15. The \_\_\_\_\_ is Alabama's \_\_\_\_\_ link to \_\_\_\_\_ with the rest of the world.

16. All state \_\_\_\_\_ are important for business and tourist travel.

17. Goods for \_\_\_\_\_ arrive and leave from the \_\_\_\_\_ at Birmingham, Huntsville, and Mobile.

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##### Section 3 Mining and Manufacturing Industries

**Directions:** Use the information from pages 399 - 404 to complete the following.

1. Industry in Alabama can be divided into \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ industries.
2. Mining industries \_\_\_\_\_ raw materials from the earth. These natural resources are then used to \_\_\_\_\_ and produce energy.
3. Manufacturing industries make \_\_\_\_\_, which are the things that people \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ **industry** provides work without producing goods. Service industry workers include \_\_\_\_\_, doctors, attorneys, and \_\_\_\_\_.
5. The state's civilian \_\_\_\_\_ (a group of available workers) in November 2010 was 2,134,807.
6. Alabama has a good supply of valuable \_\_\_\_\_. These include \_\_\_\_\_, natural gas, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.
7. One of those new ways of \_\_\_\_\_ is surface or \_\_\_\_\_ **mining**.
8. Alabama is one of the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ and natural gas in the \_\_\_\_\_.

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9. There are \_\_\_\_\_ quarries throughout the state. Limestone is mainly used to make \_\_\_\_\_ or as a base for roads and highways.
10. The leading manufactured goods in Alabama are \_\_\_\_\_ products.
11. Alabama is a leading \_\_\_\_\_-producing state. Textiles are made in factories called \_\_\_\_\_.
12. Alabama produces more \_\_\_\_\_ than any other metal.
13. Alabama is one of the greatest \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ in the world.
14. A Boeing \_\_\_\_\_ operates in Decatur. It is the world's newest and most \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ (modern) rocket plant.
15. Mercedes-Benz built a large \_\_\_\_\_-making plant in Vance near Tuscaloosa.
16. \_\_\_\_\_ built a large automobile-manufacturing plant in Lincoln in Talladega County.
17. Hyundai builds \_\_\_\_\_ and SUVs.
18. \_\_\_\_\_ Motor Manufacturing, Alabama, is located near an interstate highway in Huntsville.
19. \_\_\_\_\_ (man-made) \_\_\_\_\_ are a product developed by the physics department of UAB.

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#### Section 4 Service Industries

**Directions:** Use the information from pages 405 - 409 to complete the following.

1. Service industries \_\_\_\_\_ provide goods. Instead, they provide services to \_\_\_\_\_.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ is the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ like a shoe store.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ is the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ like you.
4. The fastest growing \_\_\_\_\_ industries are \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, health care, and \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Providing \_\_\_\_\_ for Alabama's citizens is a major job.
6. A growing part of health care is \_\_\_\_\_ (treatment).
7. \_\_\_\_\_ in the field of \_\_\_\_\_ is a growing service industry in Alabama.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ to large numbers of people is called \_\_\_\_\_ **communication.**
9. Several methods are used for this purpose including \_\_\_\_\_, radio, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ are the \_\_\_\_\_ form of mass communication.
11. \_\_\_\_\_ are now \_\_\_\_\_ and can be received by cable, satellite, or antenna.

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12. It seems that everyone has a \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ phone.
13. \_\_\_\_\_ machines send images of a printed page or picture by telephone lines.  
(FAX stands for \_\_\_\_\_, which means an exact copy.)
14. The \_\_\_\_\_ and the Internet are rapidly replacing other forms of communication.
15. \_\_\_\_\_ can be defined as the way we use science to solve problems.
16. Alabama and California are the nation's \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_  
"research and development:" (R&D).
17. Another service industry is \_\_\_\_\_. Visitor's pour \_\_\_\_\_  
of \_\_\_\_\_ into the state's economy each year.



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##### **Section 5 Military Presence**

**Directions:** Use the information from pages 412 - 415 to complete the following.

1. Maxwell- Gunter \_\_\_\_\_ in Montgomery is the \_\_\_\_\_ center of the Air Force.
2. Maxwell- Gunter also \_\_\_\_\_ the Air Force's worldwide \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Fort Rucker, near Dothan, is the national home of \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The base provides \_\_\_\_\_ for both \_\_\_\_\_ and airplane \_\_\_\_\_.
5. One of the \_\_\_\_\_ in Alabama is \_\_\_\_\_ in Huntsville.
6. The Anniston Army \_\_\_\_\_ sends parts for \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ wherever they are needed.
7. The \_\_\_\_\_ has an Aviation training Center (ATC) at the regional airport in Mobile.
8. Many Alabama men and women serve in the \_\_\_\_\_ and Reserve units of all branches of the armed forces.