Chapter 8: Key Issue 3

*Why Do Boundaries Cause Problems?*

1. Explain why each state shown below is defined as it is.

1. Define a “landlocked state” and describe how landlocked states came to be in Africa.
2. How has Rhodesia/Zimbabwe been forced to deal with being a landlocked state? How has it adapted its political and economic considerations in each of the following periods?

1965-1974

1974-1979

1980-1991

1. Please make notes about the following physical boundaries.

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| Mountain Boundaries | Desert Boundaries | Water Boundaries |
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1. Explain and give ONE example of each of the following cultural boundaries.

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| Geometric Boundaries |  |
| Religious Boundaries |  |
| Language Boundaries |  |
| Cyprus’s “Green Line” Boundary |  |

1. Explain the difference between a unitary state and a federal state. Describe possible advantages and disadvantages of each.
2. Describe the recent trends toward federal government in Europe.

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| France: Curbing a Unitary Government | Poland: A New Federal Government |
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1. Why does the United States government redraw legislative boundaries periodically?
2. Explain the origins and meaning of the term “gerrymandering”.
3. Identify and explain three different forms of gerrymandering.