**Chapter 17 Study Guide Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Pd.\_\_\_\_**

“Today’s Issues: Russia and the Republics”

Section 1 – “Regional Conflict (Pages 385 -387)

What is the basis of the conflict in each of the following cases:

1. Chechnya

2. Georgia

3. Armenia and Azerbaijan

4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is an exclave of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 What does this mean?

5. What progress has been made in the dispute between Armenia and Azerbaijan?

6. What factors may force an end to the conflict in Chechnya?

Section 2 – “The Struggle for Economic Reform” (Pages 388-390)

7. The process of selling government-owned businesses to individuals and private companies is called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

8. Why has this policy had mixed success?

9. How has Russia fared since the economic crash of 1998?

10. What is distance decay, and why is it an obstacle to economic reform?

11. What influence does the Russian Mafia have in the Russian economy and why is this an obstacle to economic reform?

“Map and Graph Skills” (Page 391)

12. During which year was the highest percentage of the Russian labor force unemployed?

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13. Russia’s unemployment rate of 1999 was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

14. What percentage of Russians earned less than $491 in 1999? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Case Study: The Soviet Union’s Nuclear Legacy (Pages 392-395)

15. Why did the collapse of the Soviet Union spark concerns about the spread of nuclear weapons?

How did the nuclear legacy of the USSR contribute to:

16. Political Tensions

17. Economic Health

18. Environmental Prospects

19. What is the point of the political cartoon on page 394? (Primary Source A)

20. What action is suggested by the author of the editorial from the New York Times? (Primary Source B)

21. What are the economic costs associated with the closing of the nuclear power plant at Chernobyl? (Primary Source C)

22. What nuclear hazard is described in Primary Source D?

23. What countries are especially concerned about this situation? Why?

“Geographic Skills: Interpreting Graphs” (Page 397)

24. How does the trend in male life expectancy in Russia compare with other parts of the world?

25. What factors might account for the dip in life expectancy for Russian men?