

## EMELA

The documents that follow relate information about Greece. Examine each document carefully and then answer the question(s) that follow it using complete sentences. These answers will help you in Part II.

### Document 1

Mountains cover most of Greece, and the land is rocky with little fertile soil. A Greek legend tells that God sifted the earth through a strainer while making the world. He made one country after another with the good soil that sifted through, and threw away the stones left in the strainer. According to the legend, these stones became Greece.

The mountains of Greece were difficult to cross; therefore, the sea became the Greeks' highway. They settled on the town and sailed from town to town in order to trade their goods. They sailed the Mediterranean, Aegean, and Black Seas to trade their olive oil and wool. No part of Greece is more than about forty miles from the sea; a couple of days sailing. These merchants and traders developed a sense of freedom and independence not seen before.



1. What features covers most of Greece? \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. How did the sea serve as Ancient Greece's highway? \_\_\_\_\_  
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