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Gabrielle "Coco" Chanel was born in 1883 in a small French town. Her family was poor. Her mother died of tuberculosis in 1895. Her father then left the family to find work.

Chanel spent six years in an orphanage, where she learned to sew. It was a humble beginning for a woman who would change the fashion world forever.

At 18 years old, Chanel left the orphanage and became a singer. She performed in clubs throughout France. It was during this time that she got the nickname "Coco."

When she moved to Paris, Chanel learned to make hats. She opened her first fashion store in 1910. Soon she started making clothes and then opened two more stores. In the 1920s, Chanel introduced her first perfume.

SKILL PRACTICE

Read each question. Fill in the bubble next to the correct answer.

- Which topic are you likely to find on page 16?
☐ Ⓐ a biography of Christian Dior
☐ Ⓑ a discussion of major fashion trends
☐ Ⓒ a detailed look at hair in fashion
☐ Ⓓ a description of cotton clothing
- On which page would you find the passage about Coco Chanel?
☐ Ⓐ page 16
☐ Ⓑ page 21
☐ Ⓒ page 84
☐ Ⓓ page 86
- What is most likely the title of this book?
☐ Ⓐ *Costumes Throughout History*
☐ Ⓑ *The Life of a Fashion Designer*
☐ Ⓒ *Fashion Trends Over Time*
☐ Ⓓ *How to Become a Fashion Designer*
- Which pages would you use to research women's dress styles?
☐ Ⓐ pages 12–15
☐ Ⓑ pages 32–34
☐ Ⓒ pages 45–46
☐ Ⓓ pages 84–86

STRATEGY PRACTICE

Make a timeline of Coco Chanel's life, based on the passage.

READ THE INTERVIEW

Notice how the interview is organized to show who is speaking.

Recently, *Dog Days* magazine had a chance to talk with trainer Mary Fineday at the Bloomsday Dog Show in Rochester, New York.

Dog Days: Thank you for meeting with us on such a busy day. We're really enjoying the Bloomsday Dog Show, and we can't wait to meet your dogs. Can you tell us a little about what you're doing right now?

Mary Fineday: Gladly. I'm brushing Anna, my Norfolk terrier. Her golden fur can easily get dirty when she runs around. We want to make sure she looks perfect for the competition. That means a lot of brushing.

Dog Days: How long have you had Anna?

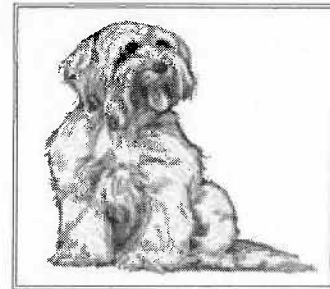
Mary Fineday: She's three and a half years old, and we've raised her from the day she was born. She eats the finest cuts of meat and exercises on a track that was built just for her.

Dog Days: That's one lucky dog! Does Anna enjoy the dog show as much as you do?

Mary Fineday: Anna has a great time. She loves the attention and the chance to show the judges her skills. She's trained to run and jump at exactly the right time, and she loves the workout. She knows she'll get a treat if she does well.

Dog Days: You get a nice treat, too—\$50,000—if Anna wins.

Mary Fineday: It's true. If we win, we'll donate \$10,000 of the prize money to various dog charities. The rest of it will go toward taking care of Anna and the other dogs at our dog club.

**SKILL PRACTICE**

Read each question. Fill in the bubble next to the correct answer.

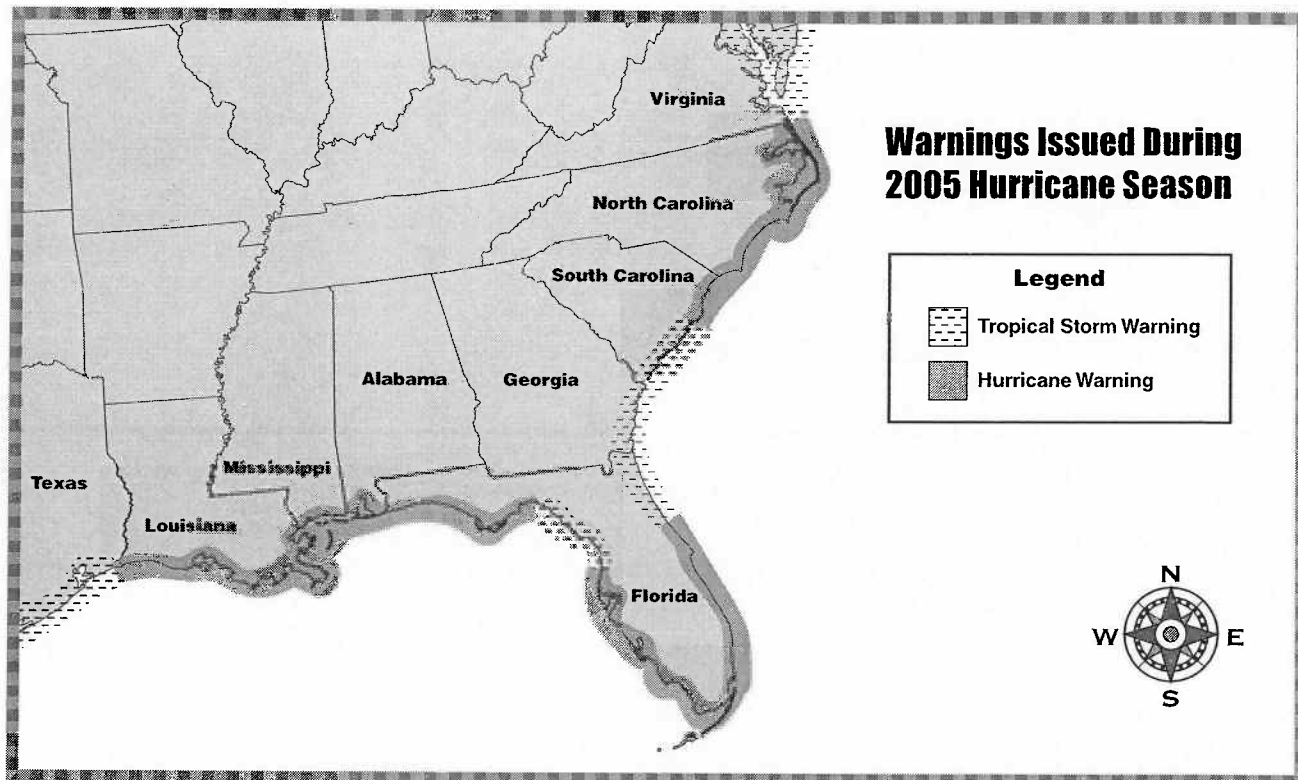
1. Which would be the best title for the interview?
 - (A) "Mary Fineday Interviews *Dog Days*"
 - (B) "Dog Show Is a Treat for Dog and Owner"
 - (C) "Raising Norfolk Terrier Puppies"
 - (D) "Bloomsday Dog Show Results"
2. What information can you get from the introduction that is *not* in the interview?
 - (A) the name of the dog show
 - (B) Mary's last name
 - (C) the name of the magazine
 - (D) the location of the dog show
3. What is the purpose of the second question that the interviewer asks?
 - (A) to find out how long Mary has had Anna
 - (B) to find out what Anna eats
 - (C) to find out why Mary is brushing Anna's fur
 - (D) to find out if Anna is having a good time
4. *Dog Days* magazine most likely _____.
 - (A) has articles about different dog breeds
 - (B) has articles about dogs, cats, and other animals
 - (C) is just for people who have Norfolk terriers
 - (D) is just for veterinarians

STRATEGY PRACTICE

Continue the interview. Write the next question you would ask if you were the interviewer. Then write Mary's response.

READ THE MAP

Think about what the map tells you.

**SKILL PRACTICE**

Read each question. Fill in the bubble next to the correct answer.

- What can you infer from the map?
(A) Hurricanes are worse than tropical storms.
(B) Tropical storms are worse than hurricanes.
(C) Tropical storms happen in hurricane season.
(D) Hurricanes never happen in Virginia.
- Which of these states had both kinds of storm warnings in 2005?
(A) Louisiana
(B) Florida
(C) Mississippi
(D) Alabama
- Which of these states was affected least by storm warnings of either kind?
(A) Georgia
(B) Alabama
(C) South Carolina
(D) North Carolina
- Based on the map, most tropical storms and hurricanes probably come from _____.
(A) the east only
(B) the south and east
(C) the north only
(D) the north and east

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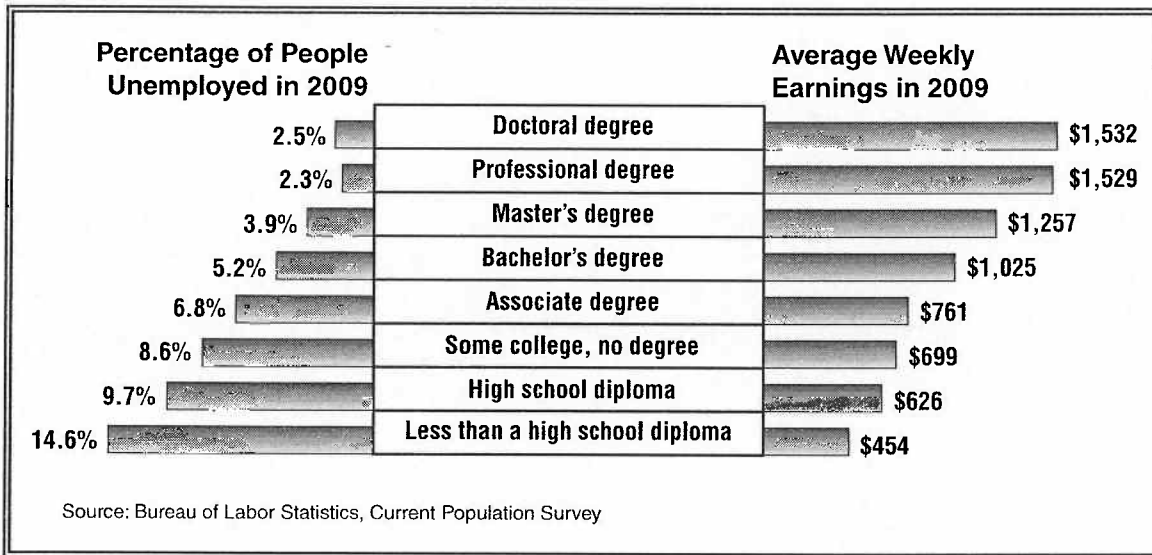
Explain in your own words how to use the legend on the map.

READ THE GRAPH

Think about how the graph presents data on education and earnings.

Education Pays

A person's ability to get a job is related to his or her level of education. Likewise, the amount of money that people earn is usually related to the amount of education they have had.

**SKIL PRACTICE**

Read each question. Fill in the bubble next to the correct answer.

- Which of these degrees is likely to earn you more money than a master's degree?
 - (A) high school diploma
 - (B) professional degree
 - (C) associate degree
 - (D) bachelor's degree
- On average, how much did workers earn per week in 2009 if they had some college but no degree?
 - (A) \$618
 - (B) \$699
 - (C) \$757
 - (D) \$453
- Which group of workers had the highest unemployment rate in 2009?
 - (A) those with an associate degree
 - (B) those with a professional degree
 - (C) those with less than a high school diploma
 - (D) those with some college but no degree
- Which group of workers had the lowest unemployment rate in 2009?
 - (A) those with a professional degree
 - (B) those with a doctoral degree
 - (C) those with a high school diploma
 - (D) those with an associate degree

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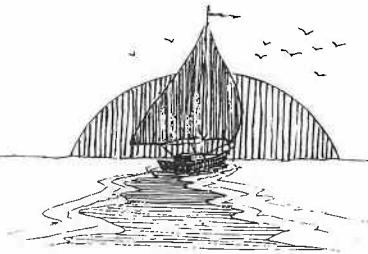
Why do most of the bars on the left side of the graph get shorter as they go up, but the bars on the right side get longer?

READ THE ADVERTISEMENT

Think about the information that is presented in the text and the illustration.

North Bay Tours Presents...

A special 2-hour sunset cruise around Otter Cove!

**Price includes:**

- A buffet dinner with your choice of beverages and dessert
- A 5" x 7" photo of you and the crew
- A souvenir pin and mug from North Bay Tours

Boarding begins at 5:00 PM. Departure is at 5:30 PM.

SKILL PRACTICE

Read each question. Fill in the bubble next to the correct answer.

- Based on the illustration, when is the ideal time to go sailing?
☐ Ⓐ during a storm
☐ Ⓑ at night so you can watch the stars
☐ Ⓒ while fishing with friends
☐ Ⓓ at the end of a sunny day, when the water is calm
- Which of these is *not* included in the cruise?
☐ Ⓐ a choice of beverage
☐ Ⓑ a buffet dinner
☐ Ⓒ souvenirs from the trip
☐ Ⓓ a video of the trip
- Where does the cruise take place?
☐ Ⓐ Sunset Cove
☐ Ⓑ Otter Cove
☐ Ⓒ Otter Bay
☐ Ⓓ North Bay
- What time does the boat depart?
☐ Ⓐ 5:30 PM
☐ Ⓑ 5:00 PM
☐ Ⓒ 5:00 AM
☐ Ⓓ 5:30 AM

STRATEGY PRACTICE

What information could be added to the ad that would encourage people to sign up for the cruise?
