Using Commas Activity Sheet

The purpose of this activity sheet is to give you a few practice sentences based on the rules defined in the comma usage study sheet. The answers to these questions will be provided on the last page of this sheet. The goal of this activity sheet is to show you the proper use of commas.

Practice Sentences:

1. Because migrants have conquered wildernesses developed natural resources and established nations, migration has been an important force throughout history.
2. Unlike nomads migrants usually settle permanently and adopt the customs of their new home.
3. Not many early migrating people braved the oceans but the ancient Polynesians crossed the sea to find a new home.
4. Among the many migrants to the United States the Scandinavians settled in Minnesota Wisconsin and North Dakota.
5. Wherever they settled they stayed because they had come to make their homes.
6. All the whales in one locality sing the same song in any one year. The following year however their song will be slightly different.
7. The whales compose it seems as they go along, and they incorporate new elements into their song of the previous year.
8. All the whales in Bermuda waters for example will sing the same song in any one year while all the whales in Hawaii waters will be singing a slightly different tune.
9. The following year however each group will alter its song slightly.
10. This astonishing fact moreover sets these whales apart from all other mammals because no other mammal except man has the ability to vary its song.
Answers:

1. wildernesses, developed natural resources, and established nations,
2. nomads,
3. oceans,
4. States, the Scandinavians settled in Minnesota, Wisconsin,
5. Wherever they settled,
6. following year, however,
7. compose, it seems,
8. waters, for example,
9. year, however,
10. fact, moreover,

Sources Referenced

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