

Desert Life
Reading Comprehension
Classwork 03/31

- The desert readings are **classroom copies**; please **DO NOT** write on them.
- Individually read about desert life and answer the corresponding questions. The questions go in order of the reading.

Adaptations to life in the desert

Who are the Nomadic Tuareg?

Why are the men known as, “Blue men of the desert”?

How have the Tuareg adapted to living in the desert? Give at least 3 examples.

1.

2.

3.

The Sahel Environment

In the television ad, what does the commercial encourage the people of Niger to do? Why is the ad encouraging people to do this?

What are the physical characteristics of the Sahel?

What happened in 1968? How do **marginal lands** play a role?

Adaptations to life in the Sahel

How have people adapted to living in the Sahel?

How are people of the Sahel contributing to desertification?

What other ways besides cooking with coal are people of the Sahel trying to combat desertification?

Below, draw me a picture of something important to you that you would lose if Medfield went through desertification.