

## Notes: The Rhine – Danube Corridor

There are many \_\_\_\_\_ countries in Europe. Landlocked countries depend on \_\_\_\_\_ – and cooperation from other \_\_\_\_\_ – to do most of their exporting.

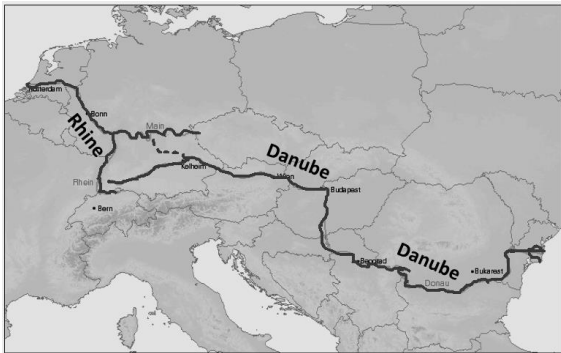


landlocked countries

The Rhine and the Danube are . . . .

\_\_\_\_\_ rivers and

\_\_\_\_\_ in central Europe.



**Here's an idea:** Since they come so close to each other, **let's** \_\_\_\_\_ **to make a waterway all the way across Europe!!!**



Connecting the rivers where they were **closest** did not make sense. It was \_\_\_\_\_ and the rivers were narrow there. **HOWEVER**, there was a large \_\_\_\_\_ of the Rhine River that came close to the Danube on flatter land.

€2.3 billion euros and \_\_\_\_\_ years later, Europe had a waterway across the \_\_\_\_\_. The Rhine River is connected to the Danube by the \_\_\_\_\_. The canal is 106 miles long and was built to look as \_\_\_\_\_ as possible.

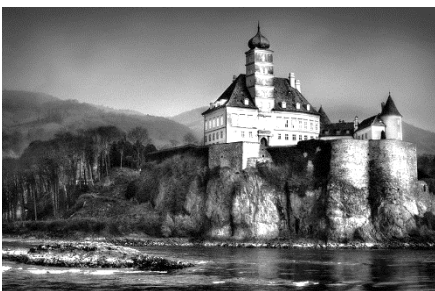
An \_\_\_\_\_ has grown up along the rivers.

In some areas along the rivers, industrial \_\_\_\_\_ is a major problem. The \_\_\_\_\_ River drainage basin has been hit especially hard with industrial pollution over the years.

**Many** of the Danube River drainage basin countries were controlled by the \_\_\_\_\_ until 1993.

The Soviet Union was very interested in building their

\_\_\_\_\_ through industry. They were **not**, however, particularly concerned about the



\_\_\_\_\_.

The \_\_\_\_\_ is working to help countries on the Rhine-Danube industrial corridor fix pollution problems.

And much of the water route is so **beautiful** that thousands of \_\_\_\_\_ cruise the rivers every year.