Read the article *Cyprus and the Other* carefully. Answer the questions below, using complete sentences.

1. How long and wide is the island of Cyprus?
   *The island is 160 miles long and 60 miles wide at its widest point.*

2. What body of water surrounds the island?
   *The Mediterranean Sea surrounds the island.*

3. Why has Cyprus been described as a “crossroads of history”?
   *Cyprus has been a place where sea travelers from Europe, Africa, and Asia could rest and find fresh water and supplies. It was also a supplier of copper. It controlled the eastern end of the Mediterranean Sea.*

4. List three cultures that have conquered or influenced Cyprus in its history.
   *Phoenician – Ancient Greek – Roman – Crusaders – Lusignans – Egyptians – Byzentine – Ottoman - British*

5. What two major world religions have influenced the island?
   *The two major influential religions on Cyprus have been and are Christianity (Greek Orthodox) and Islam.*

6. When did the UN (United Nations) arrive to help keep peace in Cyprus?
   *The United Nations arrived in 1974 with a peacekeeping force to stop the civil war.*

7. What two major cultures dominate Cyprus today?
   *The two major cultures that dominate Cyprus today are Greek and Turkish.*

8. What is “The Green Line”? Who established it?
   *“The Green Line” is a buffer zone that separates Greek Cyprus from Turkish Cyprus, and was established by the UN.*

9. Why is Cyprus still divided?
   *The two sides have not been able to agree on how they can come together.*

10. If you were in charge of solving the Cyprus problem, what kind of resolution might you try to help them unify?
    *Answers will vary.*

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