The Azores: Portuguese Islands #419
Sopris West Six Minute Solutions #419

The Azores are a group of nine islands. They are in the middle of (the) Atlantic Ocean. The Azores are about 800 (miles) west of Portugal. The islands belong (to) Portugal. The Azores were formed by (volcanoes) long ago. They were once believed (to) be the lost continent of Atlantis.

(Portuguese) sailors discovered the Azores in 1427. By (the) middle of the 15th century, farmers (lived) on the islands. They grew crops (like) wheat and sugar. Many ships sailed (the) seas during this time. They were (on) voyages of exploration. The Azores became (a) stopping place for ships. Some ships (were) returning from Asia. Others came back (from) Africa. Still others sailed from the (Americas). Many ships carried treasure like gold (and) jewels. Most ships stopped at the (islands) for food and water. The Azores (were) soon an important port of call. (In) times of war, the Azores were (used) for military bases. Spain occupied them (during) the period from 1580 to 1640. During the (two) World Wars, the Azores were used (as) naval and air bases.

Today, farmers (still) make their home on the Azore (islands). They farm the rich soil of (the) islands. They grow many crops. Sugarcane, (tea), and pineapples are grown there. The (farmers) also raise cattle and sheep. The (islands') mountains have grasses for the animals (to) eat. Meat, cheese, and butter are (shipped) to Portugal for sale.

Tourists like (to) visit the Azores. The islands are (beautiful). They have many mountains with steep (cliffs). The hillsides are a brilliant green. (Many) colorful flowers decorate the landscape. Deep (lakes) fill extinct volcano craters. Life is (calm) and simple on the islands. The (Azores) may be one of the few (unspoiled) spots left in the world.
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