

Chapter 21 Vocabulary

Essential Question: How are women micro-entrepreneurs in developing countries changing their communities?

1. micro-enterprise: a very small business with few or no employees
2. micro-entrepreneurs: a person who starts and runs a very small business
3. developing countries: a poorer country with a less advanced economy. In general, developing countries are trying to increase their industries and improve life for their people.
4. drought: an unusually long period in which little or no rain falls
5. pastoral nomads: groups of herders who move with their animals from place to place in search of pasture and water
6. civil war: a war between groups living in the same country
7. gender-based division of labor: the division of work into two categories based on sex, or gender. The result is that men and women do different kinds of work.
8. informal economy: the part of the economy in which goods and services are exchanged outside of government control. People who work in the informal economy often sell goods on the street or in a street market.