Chapter 01 Land & People

1) B  2) A  3) A

2) The Red Line cuts across north central Namibia. The Germans drew it first to keep their colonists based in the south. When the South Africans took over, they kept the red line as a veterinary line. The Red Line still exists today, preventing communal farmers from selling their cattle to South African or international markets because the area has not yet been declared completely free of diseases.

2) The volcanic landscape, ancient rock art, black rhino, desert elephant, and the highest peak in Namibia, etc.

3) The Germans left an indelible mark on Namibia’s architecture, infrastructure, cuisine, and traditions.

4) They should go to licensed retail establishments. The penalty for illegal dealing in diamonds in Namibia is stiff.

Chapter 02 Values & Attitudes

1
1) self-reliant
2) the restoration of social harmony
3) the Ministry of Environment and Tourism
4) Christian, animists
5) Unity, Liberty, Justice

2
1) They have a shared pride in Namibia’s landscape and resources, as well as a commitment to conservation. They also embrace traditional African values, including respect for others and the necessity of sharing nature’s bounty with others.
2) There is a great respect for the environment, as well as a single-minded concern for water. And they believe that man and nature are intertwined.
3) The missionaries imposed a patriarchal view upon tribes where previously women had held positions of importance, which resulted in the diminution of their power.
4) They lack a sense of urgency regarding time. German-Namibians are more concerned with being punctual than many other segments of the population.
Chapter 03 Beliefs, Customs, & Traditions

1)
1) T  2) F  3) T  4) F  5) F  6) T

2)
1) The wife was required to work quietly, speak in low voices, avoid working with sharp implements, and do no housework, etc.
2) While shaking the hand of the other person with their right hand, Ovambos place their left hand under the right arm. If it is an important person being greeted, they will place the left hand on their heart.

Chapter 04 Meeting Namibians

1)
1) independent, reconciliation
2) English
3) politics, religion or hunting
4) prompt, late
5) subdued, bright, disturb

2)
1) Nature and the environment, rain and when it’s coming, good new restaurants, etc.
2) Flowers, wine, a small bowl for serving nuts, or some small item from your home country.
3) Traditional tribal or national dress is always acceptable for both hosts and guests and adds much to any social occasion.
4) No. Namibians are more conservative than not. Foreigners should not confuse dress style with lack of conservative values.

Chapter 05 The Namibians at Home

1) T  2) F  3) T  4) T  5) F

2) Homes range from contemporary mansions with all the modern conveniences, to round huts with no water and electricity. In many families, particularly tribal groups living in remote areas, multiple generations share a home.
2) In rural areas, daily life revolves around domestic animals, obtaining water and firewood, cooking or preparing food, and household chores.
3) Swakopmund or other nearby communities along the Atlantic coast.

Chapter 06 Time Out

1) BC  2) A  3) D  4) B
2)

1) Eating and drinking, especially outdoors.
2) There may be sand and small stones in it. It’s impolite to remove the stones from your mouth; rather, the *oshifima* is softened with the tongue and everything is swallowed together.
3) Yes, in particular a large white shell worn as a necklace, called the *ohumba*.
4) Black rhino, cheetah, etc.

**Chapter 07 Travel, Health, & Safety**

1)

1) T  2) F  3) T  4) F

2)

1) Stop the car and turn off headlights. When the animal has moved on, you may continue.
2) Wait inside the car, out of the heat and away from possible predators.
3) Yes, they are among the most helpful people on Earth.
4) Opportunistic thefts, including pickpocketing, purse snatching, vehicle theft, and vehicle break-ins.
Chapter 08 Business Briefing

1) Private business
2) Portuguese store
3) Ovambo
4) Namibia Trade Directory

2) Racial diversity in business has become the norm since Independence, due both to affirmative action policies and to laws designed to assist formerly disadvantaged groups in business. A BEE (black economic empowerment) law is still in the draft stages, but local businesses are already adopting it as official company policy.

2) Team Namibia is an organization of Namibian companies and companies who have invested in Namibia who promote the “Be Namibian—Buy Namibian” campaign. The ultimate goal is to protect and create jobs for local production.

3) The businessperson should take someone with him or her who knows the protocol. In some settings, the foreigner should wait for the host to speak first, for example.

4) Wednesdays and Thursdays, to avoid conflicting with staff meetings or early departures for the weekend.
Chapter 09 Communicating

1. 1) T  2) F  3) T  4) T  5) F

2. 1) English, Afrikaans, German, Oshivambo, Herero, Nama/Damara, etc.
2) The *Namibian* (English and Oshivambo), *Allgemeine Zeitung* (German), *Republikein* (Afrikaans), etc.
3) The arrival of foreign diplomats has affected Namibian society by opening up lines of communication that go far beyond Namibia's borders, creating opportunities for business, education, foreign funding, and multicultural interaction that would have been impossible before.