

GIV- Suez Canal and Panama Canal

- Suez Canal (Egypt 1869) and the Panama Canal (Panama 1914) were built primarily to shorten shipping and trading routes that connected bodies of water

Sample Questions

1. A major argument used to support the building of the Suez and Panama Canals was that these waterways would

- (1) shorten trade routes
- (2) strengthen command economies
- (3) increase competition for trade
- (4) promote the local economy

2. The Panama Canal and Suez Canal are similar in that both

- (1) shortened shipping routes between major bodies of water
- (2) were built by the British to expand their empire
- (3) replaced the Silk Road as the world's main trade route
- (4) directly connected the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans