

Year 2 - Spring | Knowledge Organiser

Amazing Africa



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Through the use of atlases, maps, globes and digital resources we will know that Africa is one of the seven continents and that Kenya is one country within that continent. We will learn and compare about life experiences in Kenya and the UK identifying both differences and similarities between the two lifestyles. We will be able to locate the continent of Africa and the countries of Kenya and the UK on the world map and understand that Kenya has contrasting geographical features.

Facts about Africa

Africa is a continent

There are 54 countries within the continent of Africa.

Africa is the second largest continent.

Africa borders the Mediterranean Sea, the Red Sea, the Atlantic Ocean, and the Indian Ocean.

Mount Kilimanjaro is the highest mountain in Africa

The longest river in Africa is the River Nile



Facts about Kenya

Nairobi is Kenya's capital city.

The two main languages spoken in Kenya are Swahili and English

Kenya borders five countries: Tanzania, Uganda, Sudan, Ethiopia and Somalia

Tsavo National Park is the largest park in Kenya

Mount Kenya is the highest mountain in Kenya

Map of Africa



Kenyan flag



Map of Kenya



Key vocabulary

Continent: Continents are large areas of land that cover the Earth's surface.

Countries: Countries are areas of land that are controlled by a single government.

Geographical features: naturally formed features of the earth (rivers, mountains etc)

Human geography: the study of how humans affect/change the earth by building houses & shops, making roads, airports, stations etc

Physical geography: the study of earth's natural features - mountains, rivers, oceans, deserts

Urban: relates to a characteristic of a town or a city.

Rural: relates to the characteristics of the countryside.

Capital city: the city or town which usually serves as the location of the governments central meeting place or offices.

National Park: a protected area of land where only tourism and research is allowed. People do not live in national parks.

By the end of the topic can your child answer these questions?

What is Kenya like?

What is like to live in Kenya compared with life here in the UK?

How do city and rural locations in Kenya compare?

What is a National Park?

Can you recall our key vocabulary and their definitions?