

Africa



Amazing Africa

Africa is an amazing place. It is made up of a lot of countries that form the second largest continent in the world.



Africa has many different regions including the Sahara desert, grasslands (known as savannas) and highlands.

African Cities

There are also many big, bustling cities in African countries.



Cairo is the capital city of Egypt.



Johannesburg is the biggest city in South Africa.



Nairobi is the capital city in Kenya.

Fascinating Facts

- Some of the countries in Africa include: Algeria, Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Madagascar, Morocco, Nigeria, Uganda and Zimbabwe.
- There are over 1000 languages spoken in Africa.
- The Sahara, in northern Africa, is the largest desert in the world.
- The longest river in the world, the Nile, is in Africa.
- Africa is the hottest continent in the world.



Landmarks

There are many magnificent landmarks in Africa.



The Egyptian pyramids

These are in Egypt and were built over 4000 years ago. The most famous of these pyramids are found in Giza, near Cairo. They were built as tombs for the pharaohs.

Landmarks



The Valley of the Kings

This landmark is also in Egypt and was another place where kings and pharaohs were buried. The tomb of King Tutankhamun was discovered here in 1922 by Howard Carter.

Landmarks



Victoria Falls

These amazing waterfalls are found between 2 countries: Zambia and Zimbabwe. Although they are not the highest or widest waterfalls in the world, they are considered some of the most impressive.

Landmarks



Mount Kilimanjaro

This mountain is in Tanzania. It is the highest mountain in Africa and stands at 5895 metres above sea level. You can see amazing glaciers all around. Many people have enjoyed climbing it.

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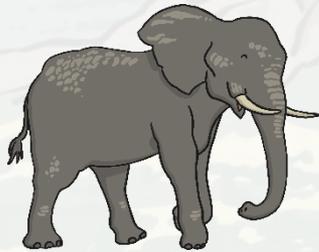
Serengeti National Park, Tanzania

350,000 people visit this beautiful park each year. It covers a huge area of nearly 15,000 km² and is home to millions of animals, including lions, zebras, elephants, and giraffes.

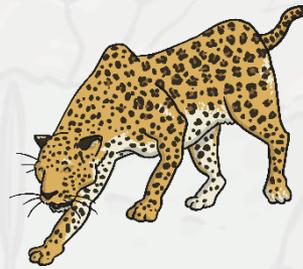
Africa's Animals

Africa is well known for its wonderful animals. It is one of the few places you can see them in their natural habitat.

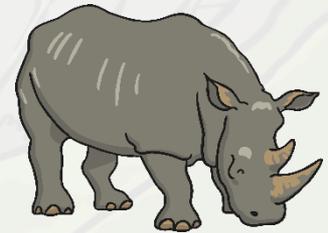
People often go to Africa to see the Big 5:



elephant



leopard



rhino



buffalo



lion

African Safari

Lots of people like to go on safari in Africa. On safari you can see lots of animals in their natural homes. Some of the animals that might be seen on safari include:



giraffe



hippopotamus



meerkat



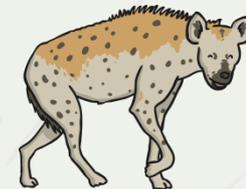
zebra



wildebeest



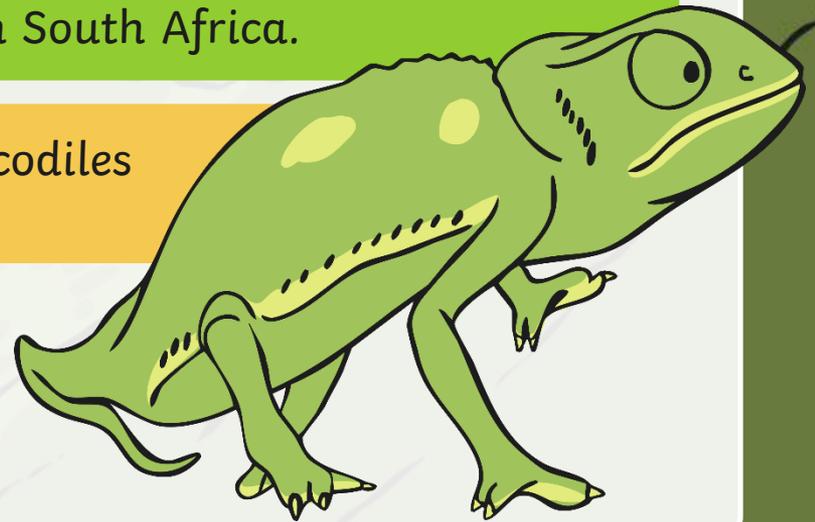
cheetah



hyena

Animal Facts

- There are over 2600 different types of bird that live in Africa.
- 4 out of 5 of the fastest animals in the world can be found in Africa:
The cheetah, which can reach speeds of 70mph.
The wildebeest, Thomson's gazelle and lion, all of which can reach speeds of 50 mph.
- There are penguins living in a colony in South Africa.
- Africa is also home to gorillas, Nile crocodiles and the world's largest chameleons.



Find Out More!

There is a lot more to find out about Africa.
Why not try to find out more in a non-fiction book or on the Internet?





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