

Countries and Continents of the World



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Africa



Second largest continent
on earth
(30,065,000 Sq. Km)

Most countries of
any other continent
Home to The Sahara,
the largest desert in
the world and The Nile,
the longest river in the
world

The Sahara: covers 4,619,260 km²
The Nile: 6695 kilometers long
There are over 1000 languages
spoken in Africa

North America



Third largest
continent on
earth
(24,256,000 Sq. Km)

Composed of
23 countries

Most North
Americans speak
French, Spanish, and
English

Only continent that has every
kind of climate

Asia



Largest continent in size and population

(44,579,000 Sq. Km)

Contains 47 countries

Contains the world's largest country, Russia, and the most populous country, China

The Great Wall of China is the only man made structure that can be seen from space

Home to Mt. Everest (on the border of Tibet and Nepal), the highest point on earth

Mt. Everest is 29,028 ft. (8,848 m) tall

Europe

Second smallest continent in the world

(9,938,000 Sq. Km)

Home to the smallest country

(Vatican City State)

There are no deserts in Europe

Contains mineral resources: coal,
petroleum, natural gas,
copper, lead, and tin



Oceania/Australia



Smallest continent on earth

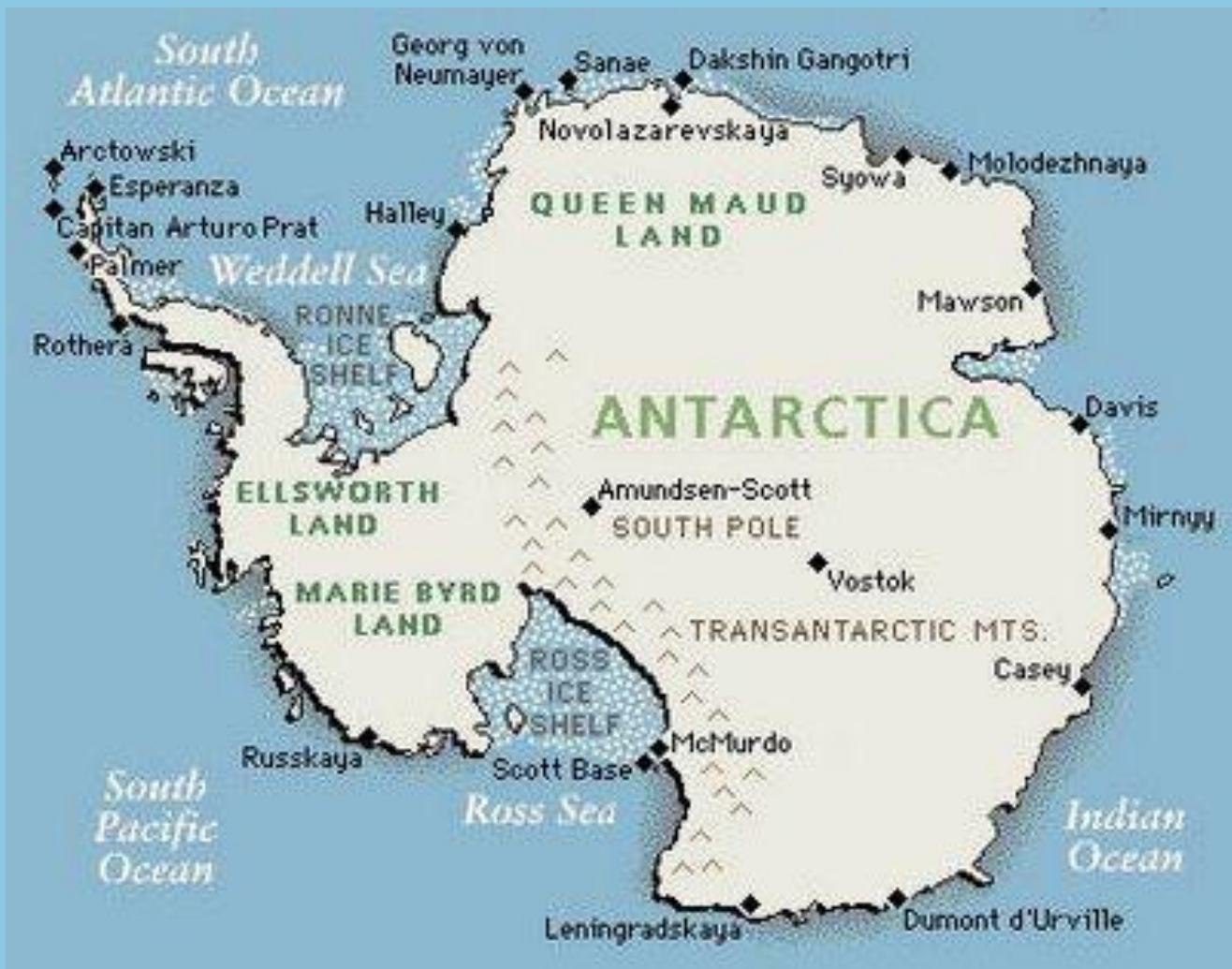
(7,687,000 Sq. Km)

Australia is known for it's vast wildlife

home to rare species of animals including kangaroos

“The Great Barrier Reef” is the world’s largest coral reef and is located off the coast of Australia

Antarctica



Third smallest continent on earth

(13,209,000 Sq. Km)

The lowest point on Earth is on Antarctica located 8,327 ft (2,538 m) below sea level

There are no countries in Antarctica. The U.S. and many other countries operate science stations there, but no nation owns the land

Antarctica is a desert due to its cold climate

Coldest, windiest, and driest continent

South America



Fourth smallest continent on earth

(17,819,000 Sq. Km)

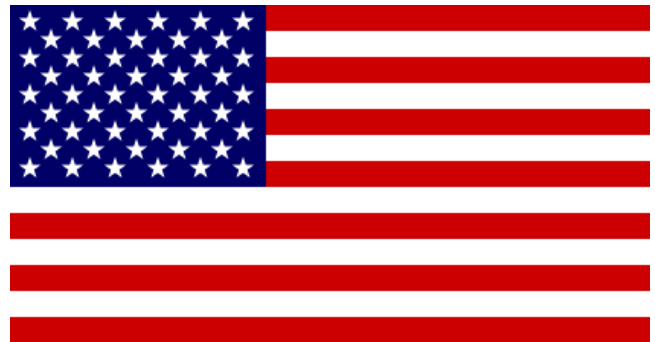
Home to The Andes: world's second largest mountain range

The second largest river-
The Amazon also runs through South America

The largest forest area in the world is seen in South America

The following countries are just a sampling of the many countries in the world. They were handpicked by Crossroads students to demonstrate diversity.

United States



Capital: Washington D.C.

Population: 313,232,044

Official Language(s): English

Notable Facts:

- Gained independence from Britain in 1776
- Mauna Kea in the state of Hawaii is the world's tallest mountain if measured from where it starts at the bottom of the ocean
- Holds the world's largest coal supplies

Canada



Capital: Ottawa

Population: 34,030,589

Official Language(s): English and French

Notable Facts:

- 90% of the population lives within 160 kilometers of the southern border
- Canada has 10 provinces and 3 territories
- Led by Queen Elizabeth Scott of England and Governor General David Johnston



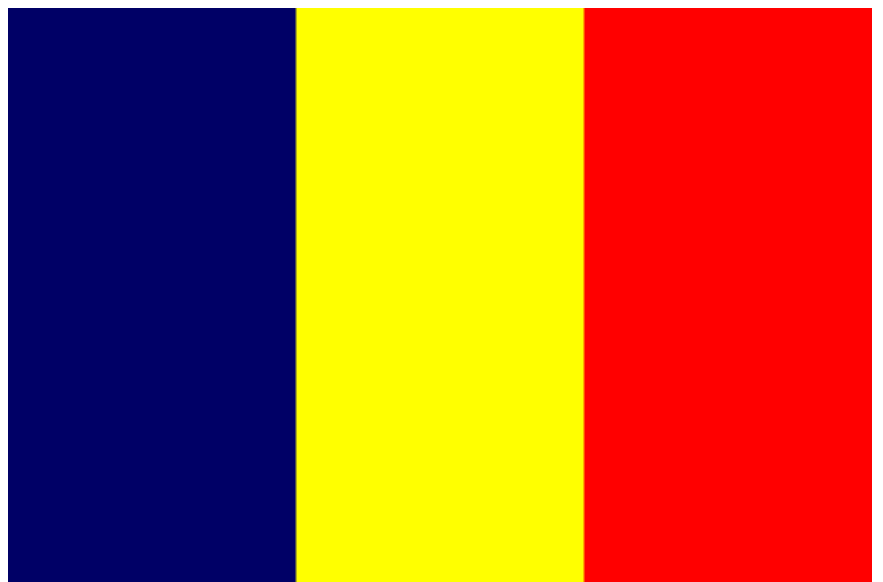
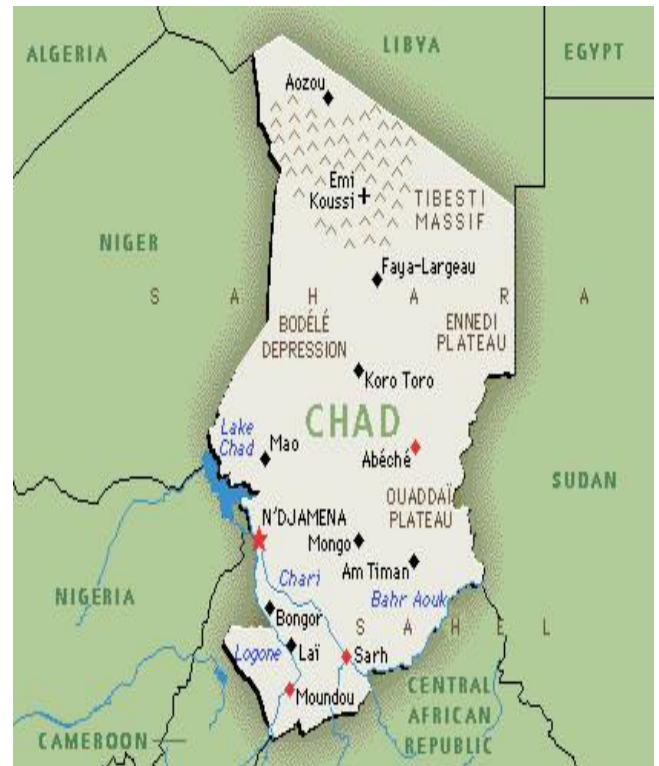
Namibia

- Capital: Windhoek
- Population: 2,147,585
- Languages: Afrikaans, German, English
- It was the first country to officially protect the environment.



Chad

- Capital:
N'Djamena
- Population:
10,329,208
- Official
Languages:
French, Arabic
- Chad's
Independence
Day is August
11th



Madagascar



- Capital: Antananarivo
- Population: 21,926,221
- Official Languages: Malagasy, French
- The island of Madagascar is the fourth-largest island in the world



MOROCCO



- Capital: Rabat
- Population: 31,951,412 people
- Official Language: Arabic
- Notable Facts: Many Moroccans speak both Arabic and French



Zimbabwe

- Capital: Harare
- Population: 12,084,304
- Languages: English, Shona and Sinadebele.
- Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe is the largest curtain of falling water



Sudan

Capital: Khartoum

Population: 45,047,502

Official Language(s):

English and Arabic

Notable Facts:

- Sudan was split up recently and South Sudan became its own country.
- Land originally part of the United Kingdom until 1956
- Sudan has 15 states



South Sudan

Capital: Juba

Population: 8,260,490

Official Language(s):
English and Arabic

Notable Facts:

- South Sudan's independence was granted on July 9, 2011.
- South Sudan is covered in tropical forest, swamps, and grassland.
- South Sudan is split up into 10 states.



Libya

Capital: Tripoli

Population: 6,597,960

Official Language(s): Arabic

Notable Facts:

- In northern Africa
- Recently overthrew former ruler, Qaddafi
- 22 districts
- Only country whose flag is completely one color: green



Country: Togo

Continent:
Africa

Population:
6,771,993

Capital: Lome

**Official
language:**
French

Fun Fact: Togo
gained its
independence
from France in
1960



Egypt

The capital of Egypt is Cairo;
Egypt's largest city.

There are about 81,015,887
people living in Egypt.

Egypt is one of the most
populous countries in Africa
and the Middle East

Egyptians speak Arabic.



Russia

The capital of Russia is Moscow, and it is Russia's largest city.

There are about 142,905,208 people living in Russia.

The official language of Russia is Russian.

Russia is the largest country in the world.



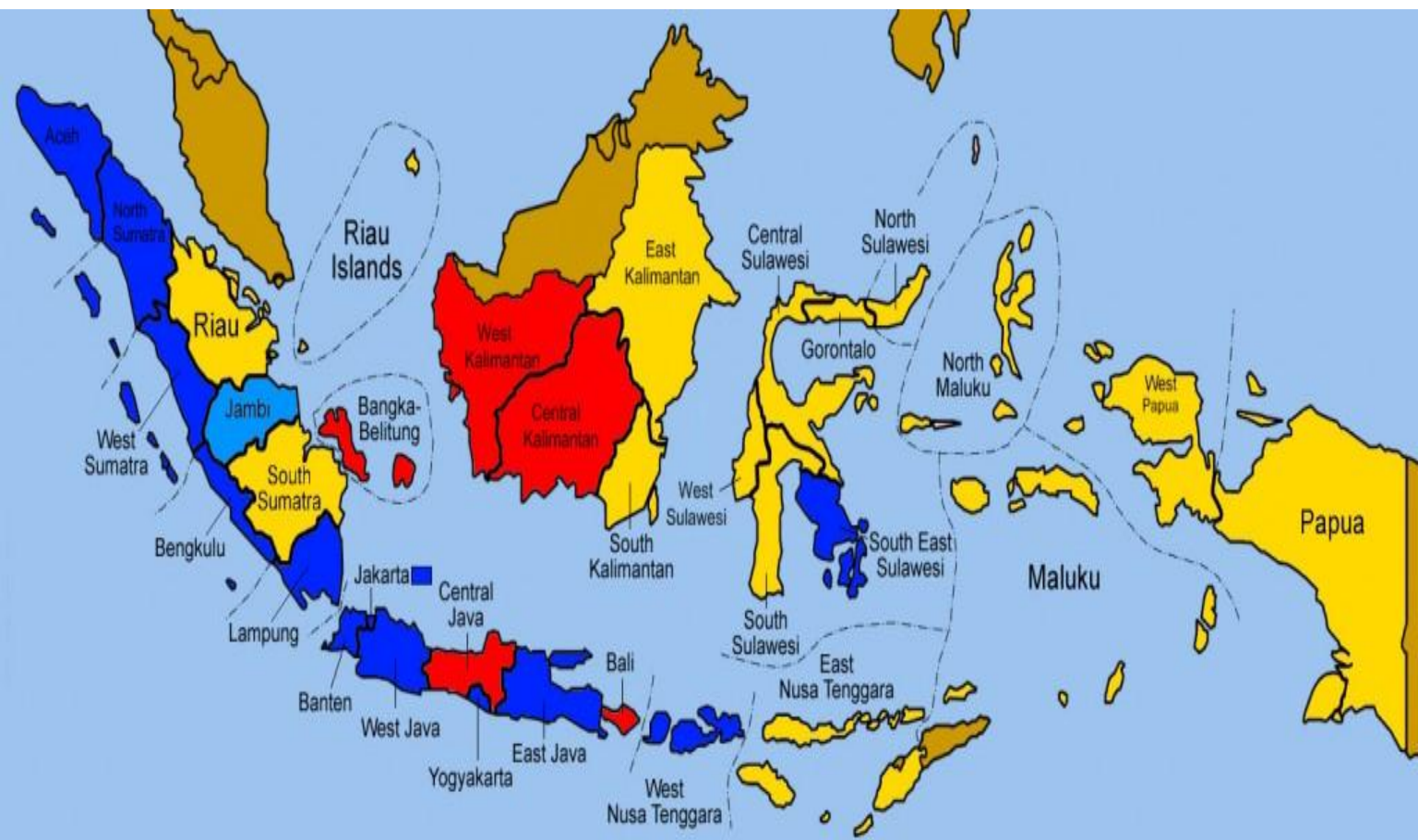
Indonesia

The capital city of Indonesia is Jakarta.

237,424,363 people live in Indonesia.

The official language of Indonesia is Indonesian.

Indonesia holds the world's second highest level of biodiversity.



Turkey

The capital city of Turkey is
Ankara

The population of Turkey is
73,722,988

A vast majority of the
population of Turkey is
Muslim.

The official language of Turkey
is Turkish.



Luxembourg

Continent: Europe

Population:
503,302

Capital:
Luxembourg

Official Language:
Luxembourgish

Fun Fact:
Luxembourg is
one of the
smallest countries
in the world



INDIA

- Capital: New Delhi
- Population: 1,170,938,000 people
- Official Languages/common languages: Hindi, English
- Notable Facts: Has the 2nd Largest Population



IRAN

- Capital:
Tehran
- Population:
73,973,630
- Official
Language:
Persian
- Notable
Facts:
Persian has
characters
that are read
from right to
left!



IRAQ

- Capital: Baghdad
- Population: 32,030,823
- Official Language: Arabic and Kurdish
- Notable Facts: The largest ethnic groups are Arabs.



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Spain

- Capital:
- Population:
46,754,784
- Languages: Spanish, Catalan, Galician, Basque
- Spain has many beautiful coasts with a nice climate.



United Kingdom

-Includes England,
Scotland, Wales, and
Northern Ireland

Capital: London

-Population:

62,262,000

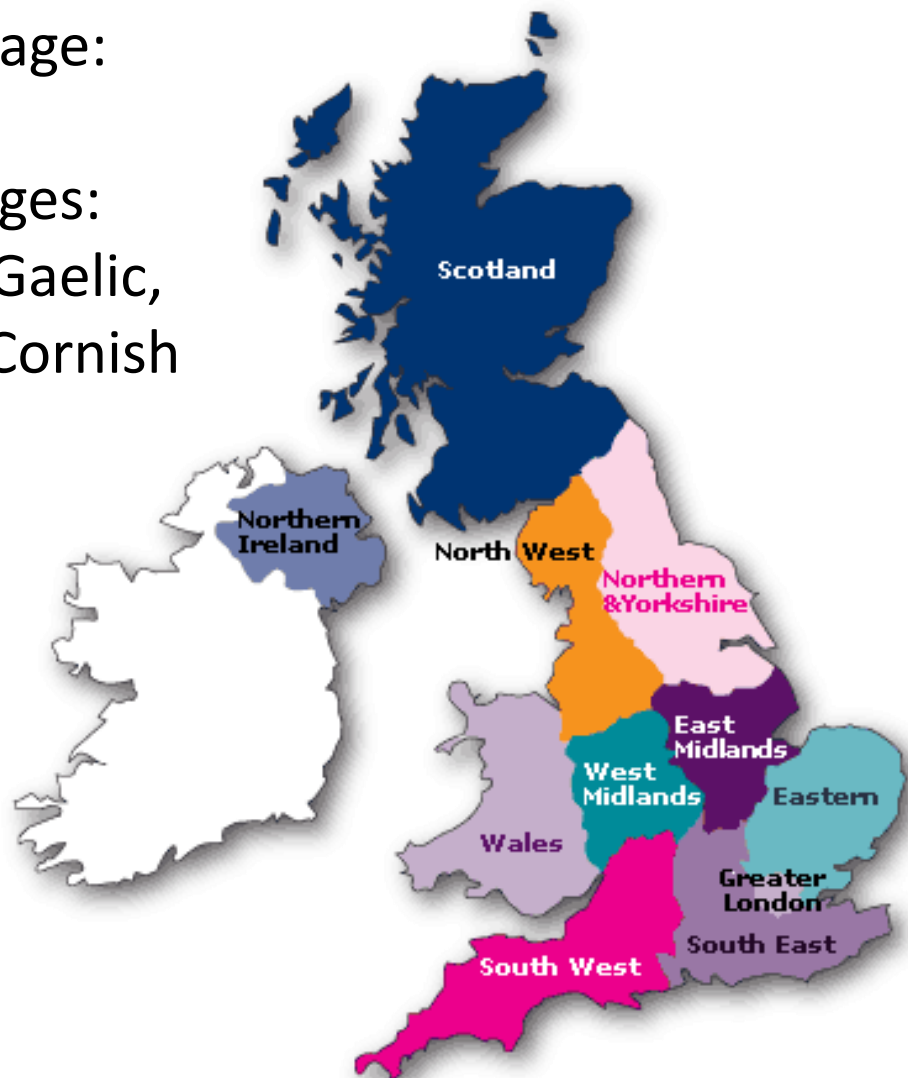
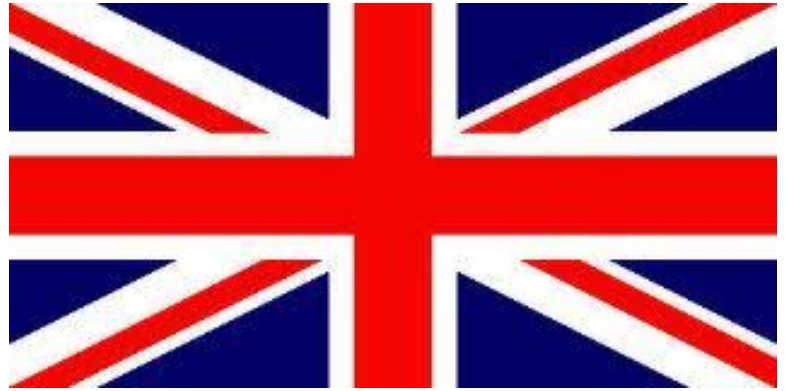
-Official Language:

English

-Other Languages:

Irish, Scottish Gaelic,

Scots, Welsh, Cornish



New Zealand

- Capital:
Wellington
- Population:
4,393,500
- Official
Languages:
English, Maori,
NZ Sign
Language
- The Kiwi bird is
the national bird
of New Zealand!



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