Let's Explore



Target

• To understand what life is like for people living in Kenya.

Success Criteria

- I can draw a freehand map of Kenya.
- I can label my map with main cities, oceans, rivers and mountains.
- I can record 3 5 things I have found out about Kenyan life.
- I can research my own facts to show what I know about Kenya.

Key Words – I say, You say...



map



key



label



Africa (continent)



Kenya



Nairobi (capital city)



River Tana



Mount Kenya



tourists



population



equator



drought



deserts



culture



volcano



Swahili



National Park



savannah

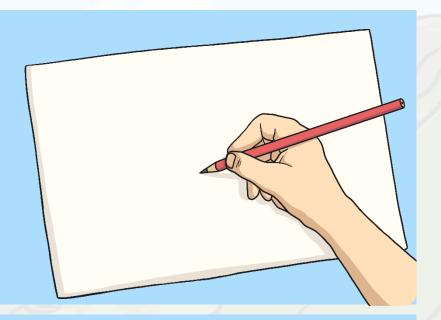
Warmer – Quick Map from Memory

Think about the map of Kenya.

Close your eyes and picture what the shape of the country looks like.

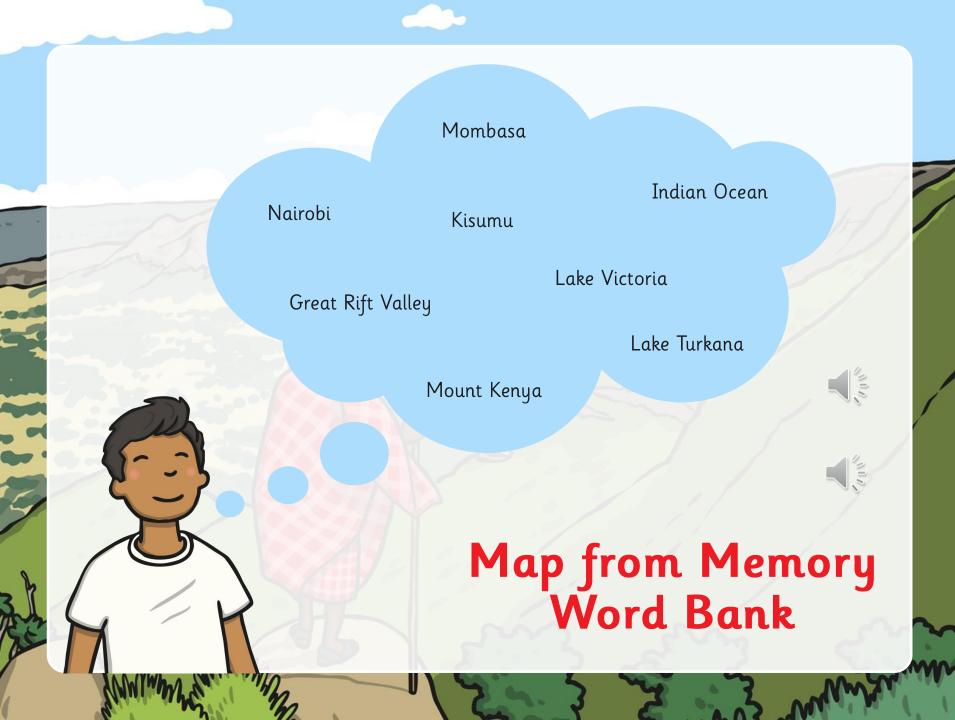
'Air draw' the map with your finger.

Draw a freehand map of Kenya from memory.



Challenge:

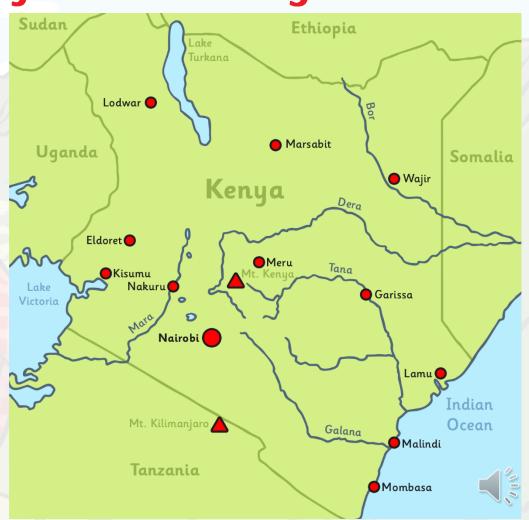
- Can you label any cities, rivers, oceans or countries which border Kenya?
- Use the word bank on the next slide to help you.



Map from Memory

How did you get on?

- · Look at the map.
- Compare it with yours.
- · What's the same?
- What's different?
- How much did you remember?



What can we find out about Kenya?

We are now going to explore Kenya. Listen to the slides and record key facts about Kenya on some paper or in your book.



Watch this short video about Kenya.



The capital city is Nairobi. Mombasa is the largest city in Kenya.

Kenya's population is around 44 million!







Weather and Climate

Kenya lies on the Equator, which means the climate is hot, sunny and dry for most of the year.



Mount Kenya is high enough to have snow all year round.

It is very cold in the mountains. In the highlands it is cool.



In the north it is hot and dry with arid deserts. In the west it is hot and humid and the rainfall can be highest here. If there is no rainfall for a long time, droughts can occur.



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Culture

More than 60 languages are spoken in Kenya! The official languages of Kenya are Swahili and English.



Music and storytelling are very important in Kenya.



There are many different types of food in Kenya such as cassava, ugali and Kenyan stew.



Rivers and Mountains

The Tana river is the longest river in Kenya.

Mount Kenya is the highest mountain in Kenya, and the country itself was named after the mountain!





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The Great Rift Valley

The Great Rift Valley is an enormous valley of mountains which runs from the north to south of Kenya. The valley has a chain of volcanoes which are still 'active' (alive).

Lake Victoria, the second largest lake in the world, is part of the Great Rift Valley.





Going to School

Not all Kenyan children go to school. Many children are too busy helping their families by working on the land, farming, cooking or fetching water.

Some children may have over an hour's walk to school.

Some children may be different ages but in the same year group.

Some schools have very few resources.







Animals

Kenya has many different species of animals. Millions of people visit Kenya

each year to see the huge savannah and the animals that inhabit it such as elephants, lions, cheetahs, meerkats and zebras.

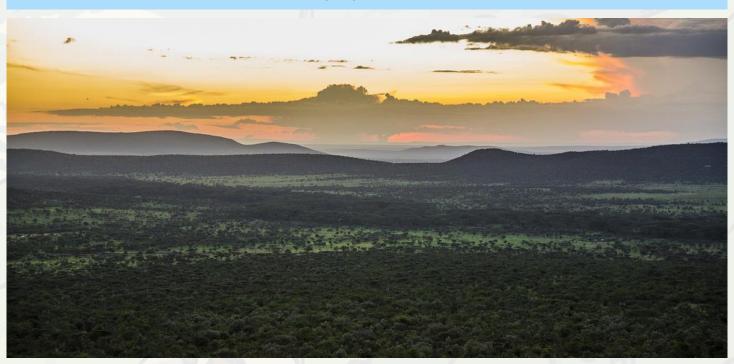
The 'big five' animals in Africa are the African lion, white/black rhinoceros, African leopard, Cape buffalo, and the African elephant.





National Parks

Kenya has over 50 nature reserves and national parks to protect these animals. The Maasai Mara reserve is the most popular.

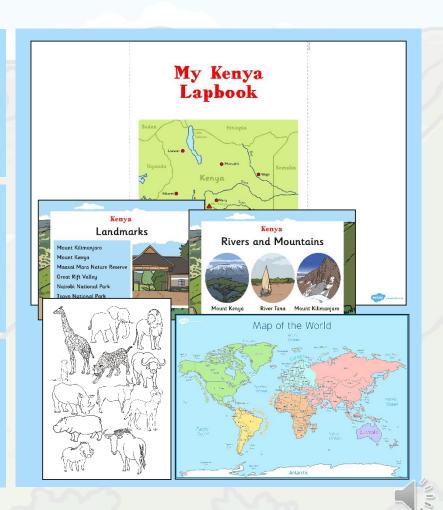


My Poster about Kenya

You are going to make your own poster to show what you have learnt so far about the country.

Your poster can include facts, maps, key words and pictures about Kenya.

Challenge: Use a search engine on the Internet to find some of your own facts and add them to your own poster!



Google It!

Use Google Maps to explore Kenya in more detail.



What places can you find?

What do you think of them?

What oceans, seas, mountains, rivers or landmarks can you find?

Can you use Google Street View?

What is happening in the photographs?

