

Africa Vocabulary



savannah

a vast area of grassland spreading out from rainforests



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equator

imaginary line running through the centre of Africa



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Africa Vocabulary safari

sightseeing trip to view African animals in their natural habitat



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dry, sand-covered area of land without water and vegetation



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climate

the prevailing weather conditions in an area



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continent

one of the main continuous areas of land in the world



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Sahara

largest hot desert in the world, third largest desert overall



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Nile

longest river in Africa



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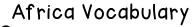


Springboks

nickname of South African rugby team



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Pharaoh

ruler or king of the ancient Egyptians



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apartheid

racial discrimination against non-white people



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rainforest

dense forest found in areas of heavy rainfall



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oasis

fertile spot in a desert where water is found



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arabs

people from the Middle East who invaded North Africa



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caravan

group of traders travelling across the desert using camels







fufu

staple food of west Africa, made from yams



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Islam



religion that believes in Allah, spread to North Africa in 700s



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muslim

a person who follows the religion of Islam



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nomads

people that travel from place to place



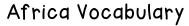
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Africa Vocabulary pyramids

large tombs built by the ancient Egyptians for Pharaohs







Swahili

a language spoken in Africa; also an ethnic group



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Berber

native peoples of North Africa



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Boers

Dutch and French settlers in South Africa



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caste

a group of people that defines social class and rank



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Africa Vocabulary hieroglyphics

system of writing used by the ancient Egyptians



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moors

people of North Africa under Islam rule after 709





kora

stringed instrument, similar to a harp



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griot

storyteller, musician and historian in West Africa



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chariot

two-wheeled horse-drawn vehicle, used in warfare in N. Africa



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Adobe

mud brick material made from clay and straw to make walls



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Victoria Falls

famous waterfall on the Zambezi River



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Nelson Mandela

led the fight against apartheid in South Africa





Mt. Kilimanjaro

dormant volcano in Tanzania, the highest mountain in Africa



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Lake Victoria

largest lake in Africa, through which the equator passes



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Kalahari

large, semi-arid sandy savannah in southern Africa



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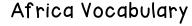


Robben Island

known as the place where Nelson Mandela was imprisoned



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waterway connecting the Mediterranean Sea to the Red Sea



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Sahel

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region between the Sahara and the savannah grasslands



