

South Africa : the Rainbow Nation

How much do you know about South Africa ?

1. Where is South Africa ? A - in Asia
B - in Africa
C - in Europ
D - in America.

2. How many capitals are there? A -
B -
C -
D -

3. How many official languages are there?

4. Is this the flag of South Africa? A
B

5. What are the Springboks?
A - an animal
B - the South African
C - the most famous st
D - the biggest library li

6. Who was Nelson Mandela? A - a singer
B - a writer
C - a president
D - a teacher



7. What are the Big Five?
A - the five biggest cities in South Africa.
B - the five most dangerous animals in South Africa.
C - the five most difficult animals to hunt
D - five important South African men

8. What is South Africa's nickname? A - the country that never sleeps
B - the rainbow nation
C - the big nation
D - the amazing country

9. What is the time difference between France and South Africa?

A - 10 hours
B - 6 hours
C - 3 hours
D - 1 hour



10. What is the South African currency? A - the dollar
B - the euro
C - the rand
D - the rupee

A quiz to test your students' knowledge



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First impressions !

Watch this video
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SPF68Gn6Dxt>



Wild life: what animals can you see on the video ?

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What are the different types of landscapes that you can see on the video ?

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What happened in 2010 ?

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Choose one word that would best define South Africa

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A video to discover the beauties of that country !



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Geography

Mark and Tim are having a look at the map of South Africa. Oops... The main cities are not written! Read the text and locate them.

In South Africa, there are three capitals: **Pretoria** is the administrative capital and is often considered as THE capital. It's north of **Johannesburg**, which is the largest city in the country.

Cape Town is the legislative capital: it's on the coast and it's the second largest city.

Bloemfontein is the judicial capital and has a ...
Africa.

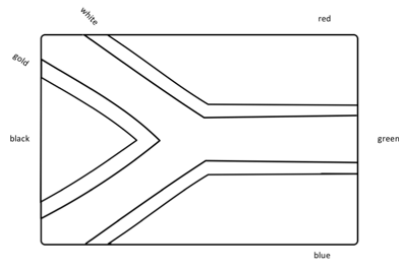


The Flag

The South African flag was adopted in 1994.
It symbolizes unity.

There are six colours:

- black:
- gold:
- green:
- white:
- red:
- blue:



Engaging activities !



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Grammar :

Past tense & present perfect
Comparatives & superlatives

Getting ready!

Mark and Tim are preparing their trip to South Africa. Mark is checking his passport. Let's have a look at it! What can you say?



Getting ready !

Here is Mark's to-do list.
What has he already done? What hasn't he done yet ?

Trip to South Africa
To-do list

- read travel guides
- book hotels
- buy a backpack
- scan ID card
- pack suitcase
- check passport expiration
- exchange money



<http://our-trip-to-south-africa.com>

OUR TRIP TO SOUTH AFRICA

June 5th: Penguins !

What everybody says is right: Boulders Beach and its penguin colony are just great. We've taken a car to go there and have enjoyed the view thousands of penguins, standing right next to you. Unbelievable ! Tomorrow, we will drive to Cobben Island, to see where Nelson Mandela spent 27 years of his life. We will meet history !

June 4th: What an amazing town !

Cape Town was declared best city in the world in 2011 and it's no wonder. Today, we've walked by the football stadium, gigantic! This afternoon, we have taken the cable car to go to the top of Table Mountain. What a view from there it's so incredible ! This evening, we've enjoyed our dinner in a beachfront restaurant. Life is so peaceful here ! Tomorrow, we will go to Boulders Beach!

June 3rd: Cape Town, here we are !

It's really been a long trip: more than 12 hours from London to Cape Town but at last, we're here! There has been no problem on board. It's been a smooth flight!


We've been here for 3 hours and we've totally fallen in love with this city. We've visited it a little but we'll give more details tomorrow: we're so tired!

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The Big Five !


What are the Big Five ?

Can you name these Five animals ?




Let's compare !

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First impressions matter !

Watch this video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5PE68v6G0k>



Wild life: what animals can you see on the video ?

Dolphins / Rhinos / African Oryx / Gazelle (gamebok) / hippopotamus / giraffes / lions / Cape Buffalo / Leopards / cheetahs / eagles / birds / sardines / fish ray / sharks

What are the different types of land you see on the video ?

- mountains
- rivers / ocean
- falls

What happened in 2010 ?

The FIFA World cup - the video insists on it for it
Choose one you'd that would best Spectacular / amazing / contrasts ...

South African History



A Webquest

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/famouspeople/nelson_mandela/

1652: Dutch people settled in South Africa

1815: Britain took over the colony, South Africa became part of the British Empire

1886: gold was found.
The country became rich, but not peaceful as there were wars between non-white people and white people.

1948: new laws to keep white people apart from black people.
This segregation was called apartheid

1960: demonstration in Sharpeville against apartheid. 69 black people were shot by the police.

1961: South Africa left the Commonwealth

1990: Mandela was freed. No more fighting: Mandela urged people to work together in peace.

1994: black people were able to vote for their president. Mandela was elected.

Answer Key & Teacher's notes included

Note to the teacher

How much do your students know ?

When possible, I like to start my units with a quiz to see how much they know. I use plinkers to do so but plinkers don't allow an export of the questions I typed so you'll find 2 sets - one with the questions and the answers - a second one that you can print and give to your students

It would be interesting to have your students take the test at the end to show them how much they learned

Then we watch a video entitled "Spectacular South Africa". It lasts 1'45" and can easily be watched at home (I typed Classroom approach)



The Big Five

The Big Five are the 5 most difficult animals to hunt. In this part, your students will learn the distinctive characteristics of each animal and learn to compare them:

Get the code for a trip to South Africa

Two fictional British characters, Mark and Tim, are traveling. The first activity will focus on Mark's passport:

"What has he done?" "What does he go there?"

We will also say attention to the British marks on the passport: Date of issuance, highlighting the fact that it's in French

Mark has been to ... in ... (Paris in 1888)
In 1888 he's in South Africa yet

- 2 Mark's holiday list
 - What has he already done?
 - What hasn't he done yet?
- 3 Mark and Tim are having a look of the map before packing it:
 - Focus on the geography of South Africa

South Africa here they are!

They have a blog in which they write their adventures to the Rainbow nation.

Get the code on the page, what have they done so far ?
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Apartheid

Three pictures will make your students aware of what apartheid was. If your students want to know more, I included a link to a very short video.

A possible project

I included a fake blog blank page that your students could fill, inventing their own travel blog

Have them choose a country or a city (one they have already visited or one they would like to visit one day) and let them imagine their account of 3 days over there.

Webquests

There are 2 webquests:

- one on Nelson Mandela
- one on the history of South Africa

The website on which your students will search through is the same and specially targeted to kids. It's an activity that can be done in the IT room or at home.

