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**Geography - 08
(DN World Map)**



**Countries: Size Wise:
Continents: Size Wise**



Oceans: Size Wise:



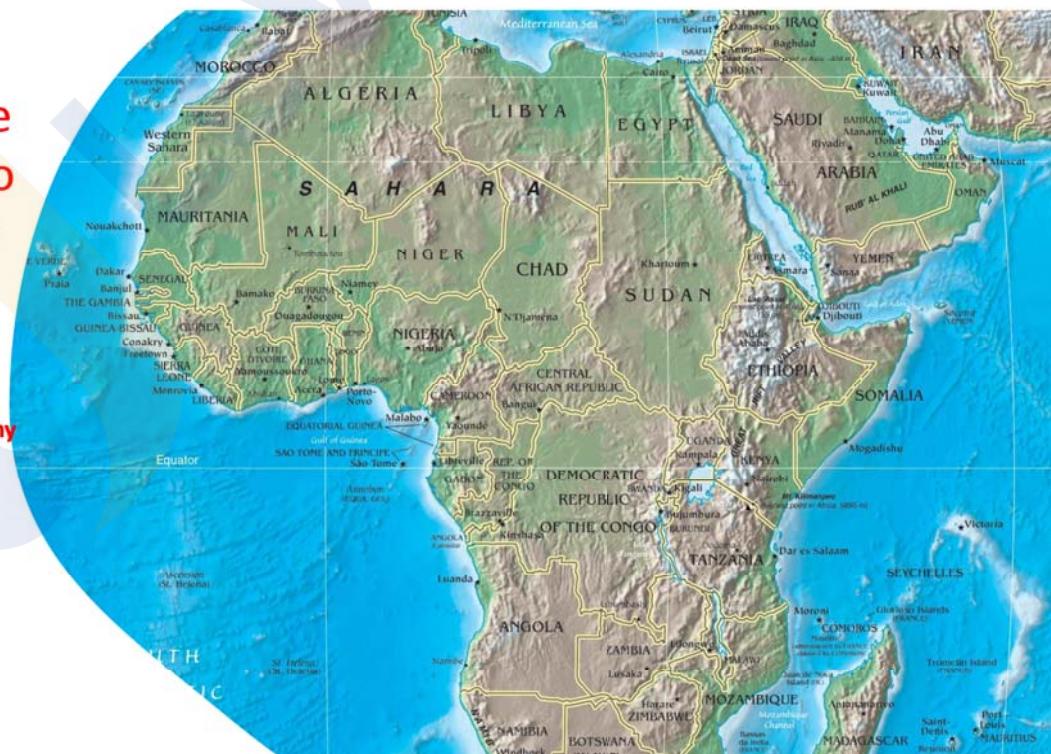
Important Latitude and Longitude



Asia: Division

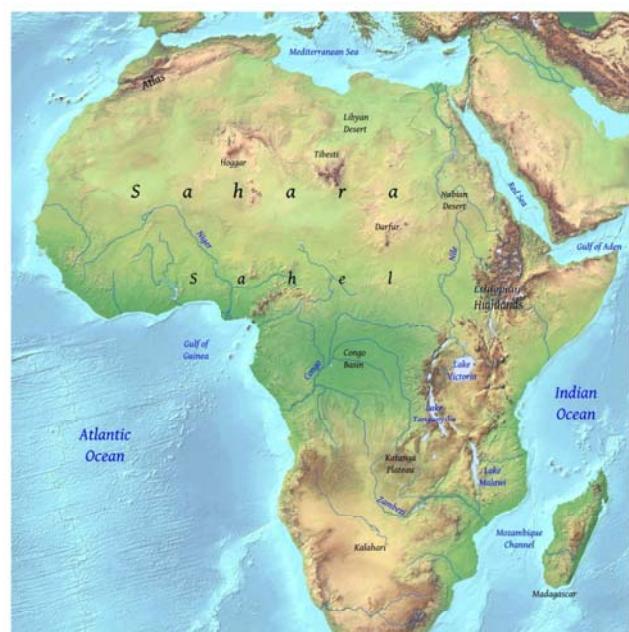
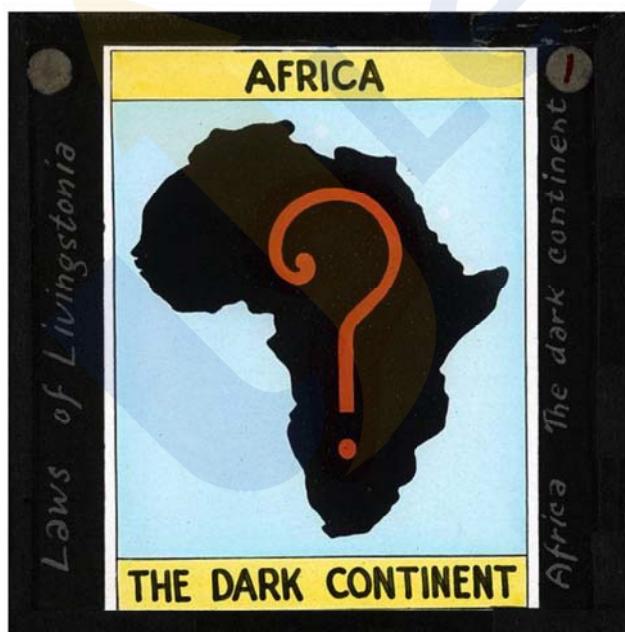
**Birth of
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Look at the Physiography



Out of Africa

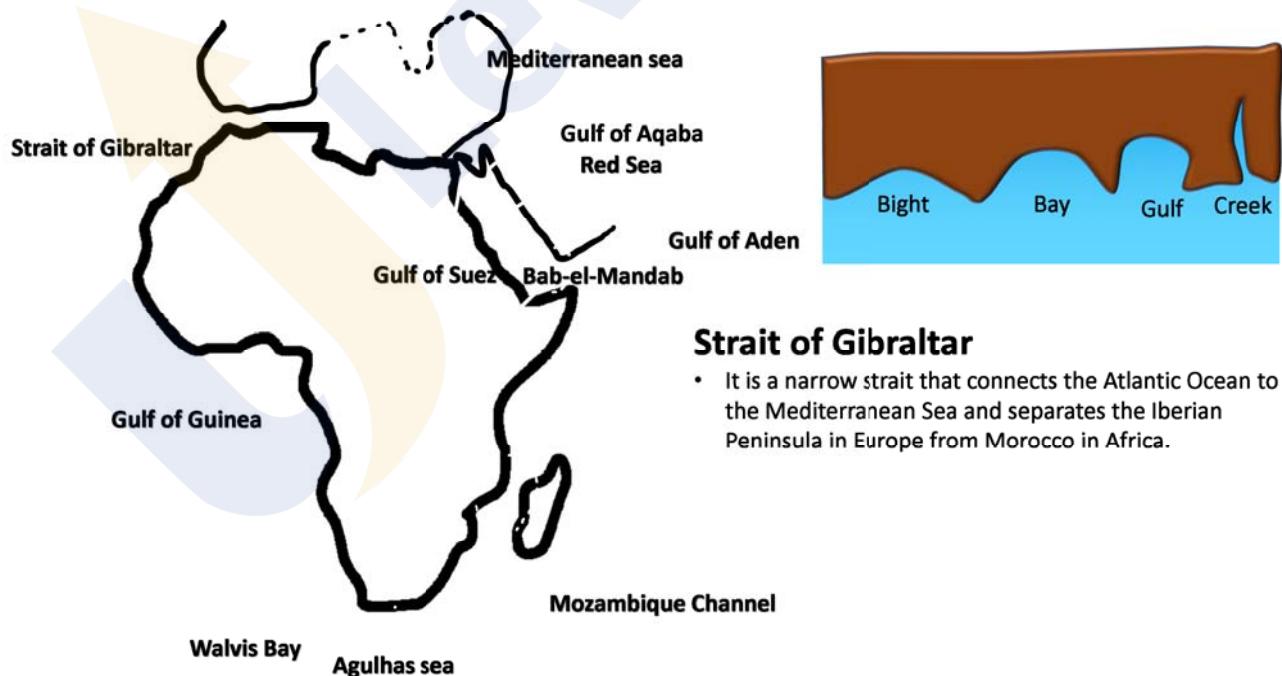
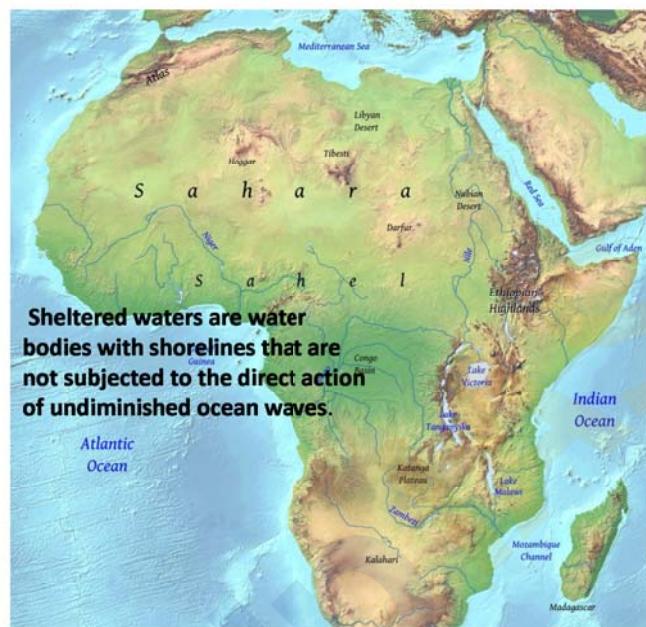
Bindibu: Aus
Jarawa: AnN



Dark Continent: Difficult Physiography and difficult to access

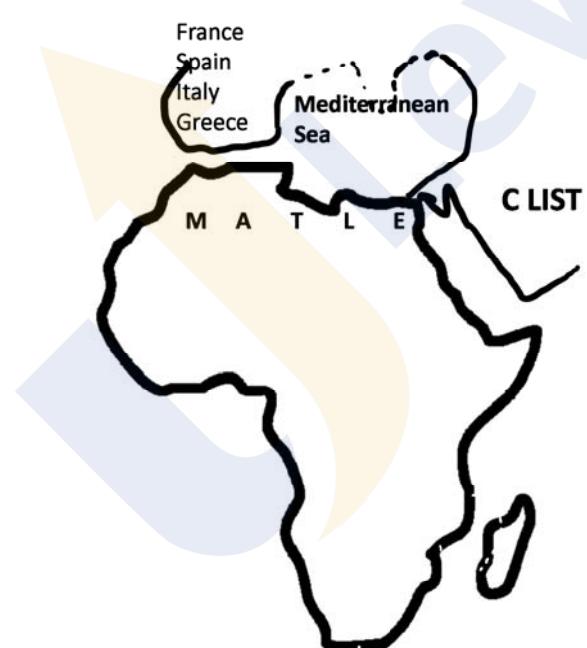
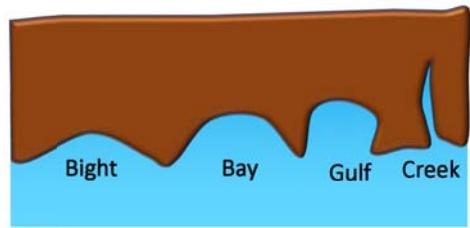
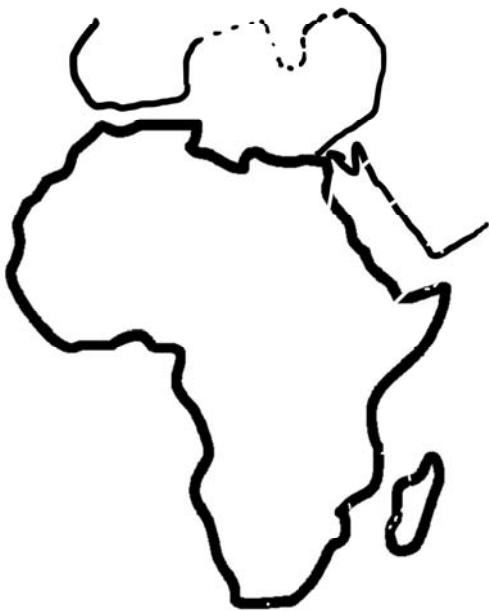
Physiography:

- African continent is a **plateau and table land**
- No Good ports (**Good port development needs: Deep waters, good connectivity with hinterland, Tides**)
- Long coastline but it is not **favourable for the location of ports**
- Desert in North: Sahara
- Mountains and Waterfalls along the East coast
- Only one common way to enter was Sinai Peninsula



Strait of Gibraltar

- It is a narrow strait that connects the Atlantic Ocean to the Mediterranean Sea and separates the Iberian Peninsula in Europe from Morocco in Africa.



C → Cyprus
L → Lebanon
I → Israel
S → Syria
T → Turkey

2015: Question

Which one of the following countries of South-West Asia does not open out to the Mediterranean Sea?

- (a) Syria
- (b) Jordan
- (c) Lebanon
- (d) Israel

Mediterranean Sea: UPSC Question 2017

Mediterranean Sea is a border of which of the following countries?

1. Jordan
2. Iraq
3. Lebanon
4. Syria

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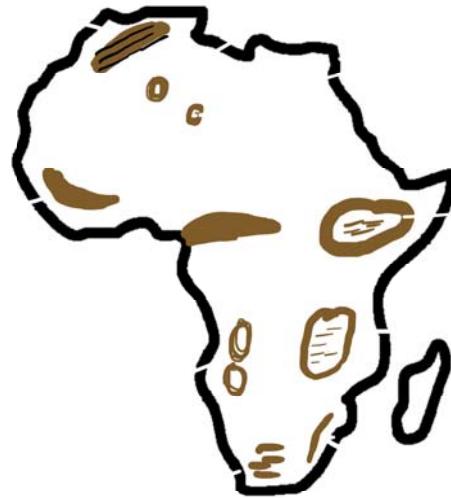
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REMEMBER COUNTRIES SURROUNDING RED SEA

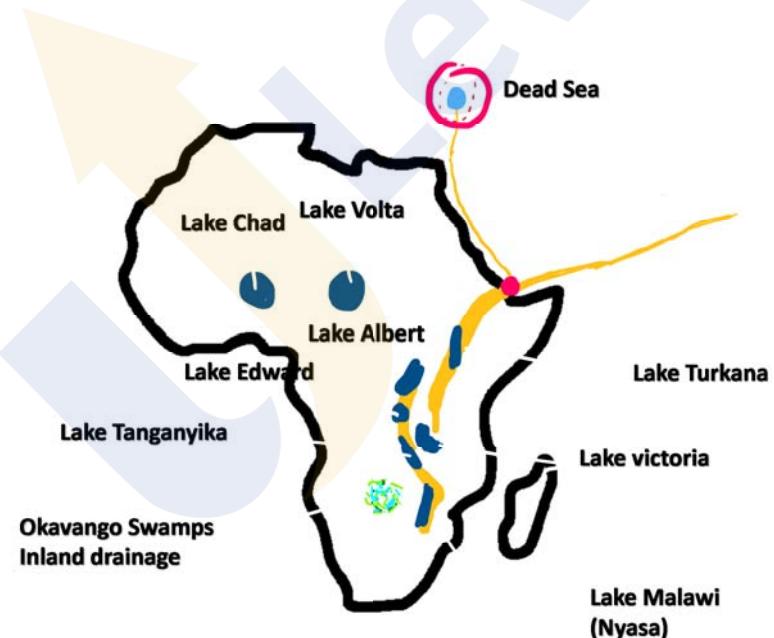
- D → Djibouti
- E → Eritrea
- S → Sudan
- S → Saudi Arabia
- E → Egypt
- Y → Yemen

NOT SOMALIA





Both are
Mt. desert



Rift Valley

Extends along the Red Sea, Gulf of Aqaba, Along with river Jordan till Dead sea.

It is the most extensive valley system on land

AETM

DIVERGENT boundary



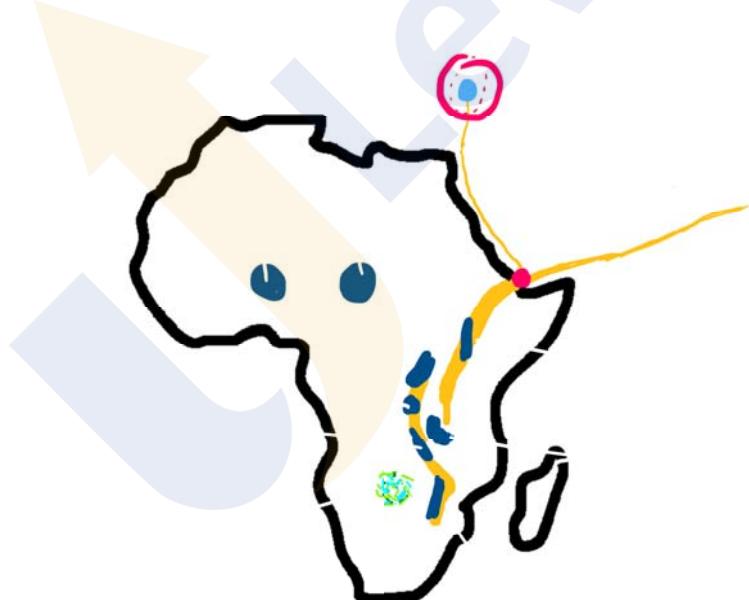
Victoria fall, Zimbabwe
Part of great African Rift valley system



Present

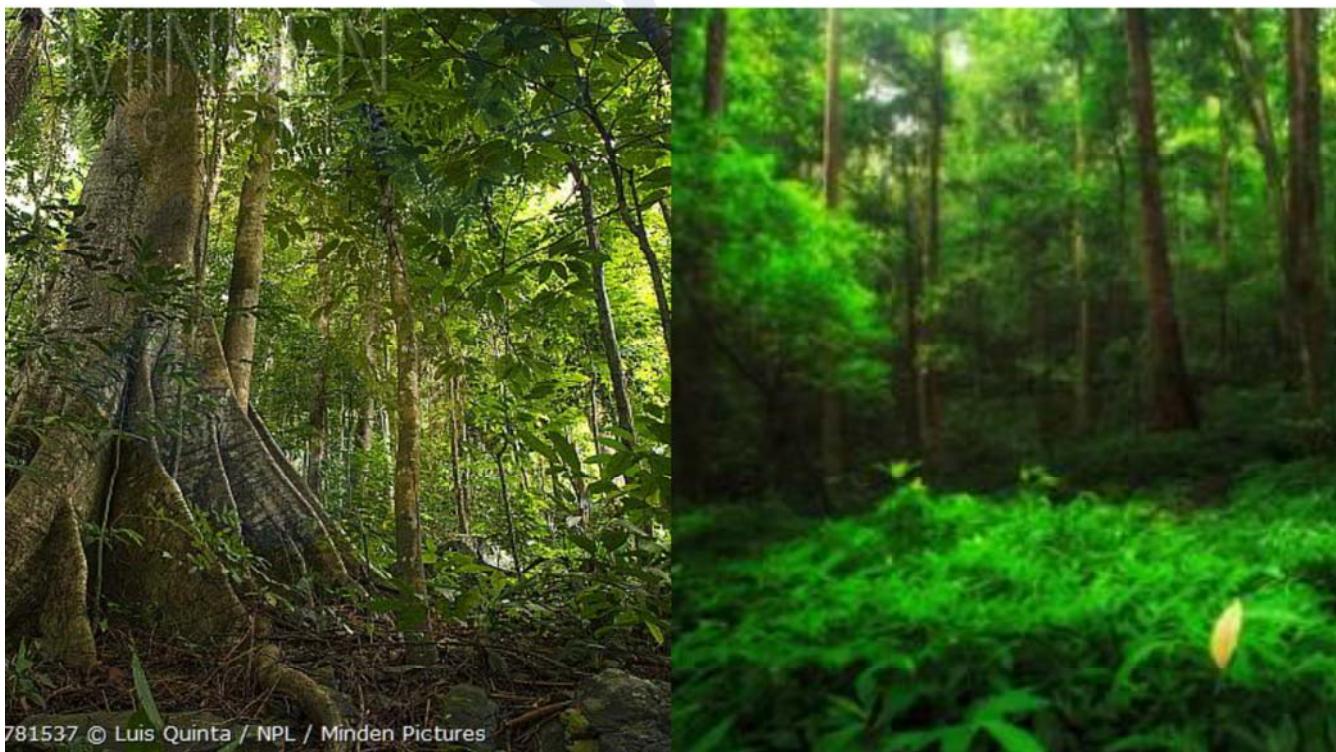
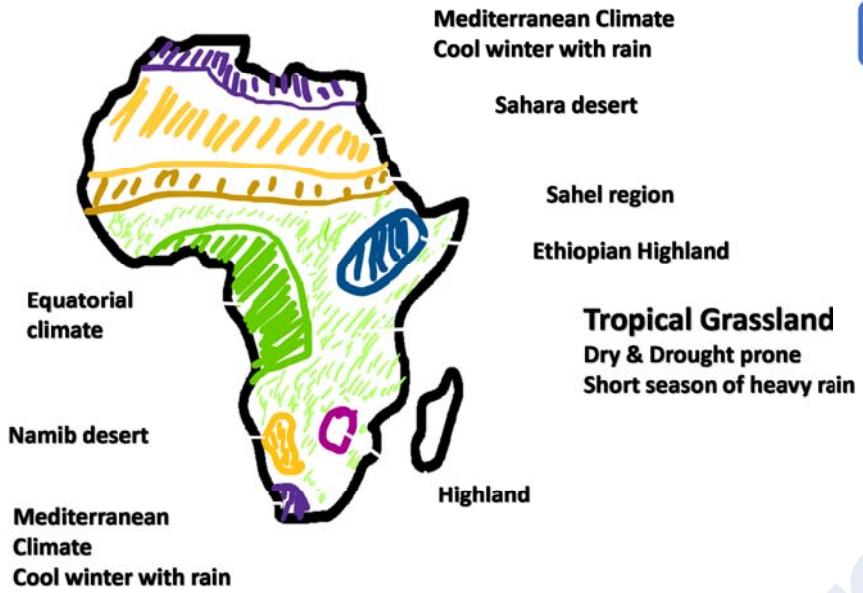


Future



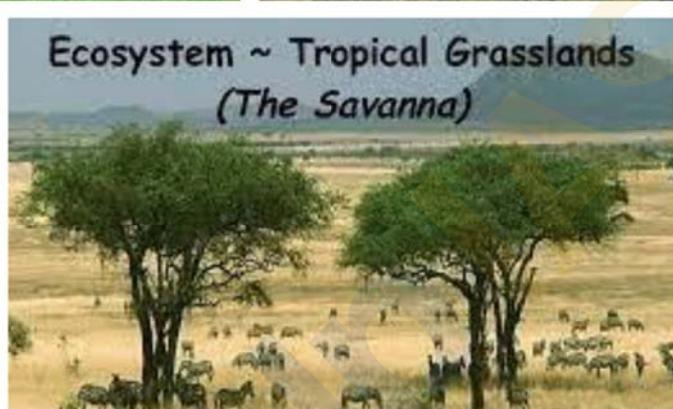
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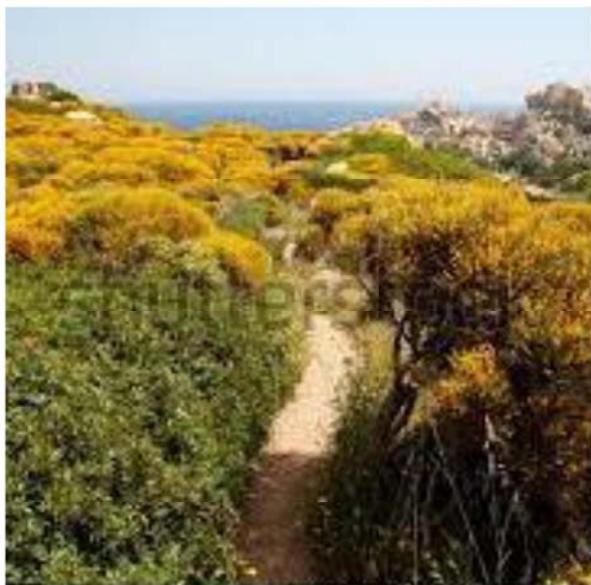
**Ecosystem ~ Tropical Grasslands
(The Savanna)**



Types of desert based on the Causal factors

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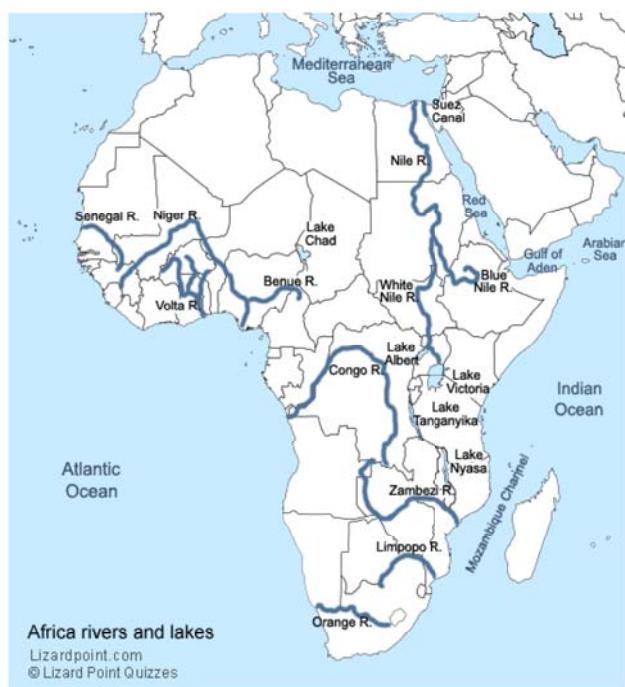
Africa rivers and lakes
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Rivers which drain in Atlantic Ocean: VCN, SON

1. Senegal
2. Volta
3. Niger
4. Congo
5. Orange
6. Nile

Rivers which drain in Indian Ocean

1. Zambezi
2. Limpopo



Nile River

1. World's Longest River
2. Has Aswan Dam, Lake Naser
3. Port Alexandria and Port Said
4. Tributaries:
 1. White Nile from Victoria
 2. Blue Nile ???Highland
 3. Black Nile (Atbara): Ethiopian Highland near Tana

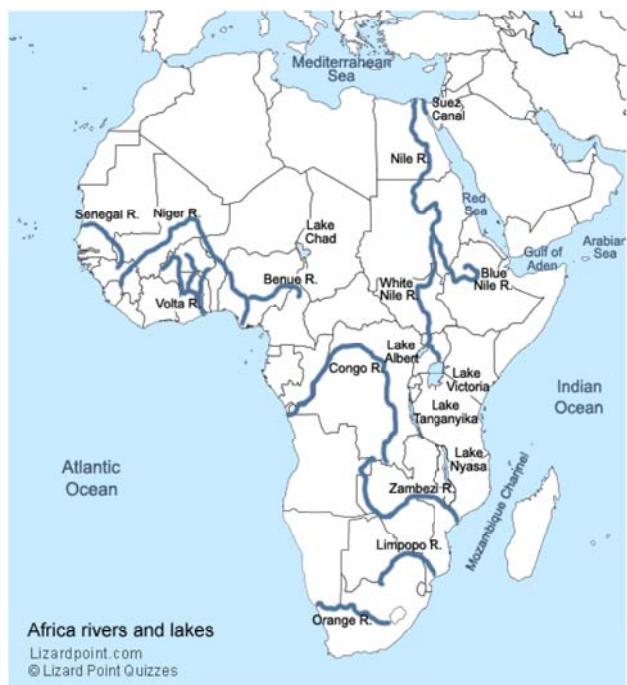
Congo River (Zaire River):

1. Origin: Plateau
2. Cuts EQ twice
3. Huge Volume of Water.. Largest River of Africa
4. Boyoma Waterfalls (Stanley Falls)



Zambezi River:

1. Origin: Plateau
2. Zambezi river has Victoria Waterfall



Niger River:
Origin: Mountain

Orange River
1. Origin: Range
2. Famous for Gold Deposit

Limpopo River:
1. Cuts Tropic of Capricorn twice

Chari River:
1. Lake Chad is on it

Mapping Rivers: 2020 UPSC

River – Flows into

1. Mekong — Andaman Sea
2. Thames — Irish Sea
3. Volga — Caspian Sea
4. Zambezi — Indian Ocean

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Geography Prelims Question: 2022 Question

Consider the following pairs:

Region often mentioned in the news: Country

- | | |
|-----------------|----------|
| 1. Anatolia | Turkey |
| 2. Amhara | Ethiopia |
| 3. Cabo Delgado | Spain |
| 4. Catalonia | Italy |

How many pairs given above are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one pair
- (b) Only two pairs
- (c) Only three pairs
- (d) All four pairs

Geography Prelims Question: 2022 Question

Which one of the lakes of West Africa has become dry and turned into a desert?

- Lake Victoria
- Lake Faguibine
- Lake Oguta
- Lake Volta

Geography Prelims Question: 2022 Question

The term "Levant" often heard in the news roughly corresponds to which of the following regions?

- (a) Region along the eastern Mediterranean shores
- (b) Region along North African shores stretching from Egypt to Morocco
- (c) Region along Persian Gulf and Horn of Africa
- (d) The entire coastal Mediterranean Sea of areas

World Geography

2014: UPSC CSE

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Country

Russian Federation

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Mali

3. Swat Valley

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Iraq

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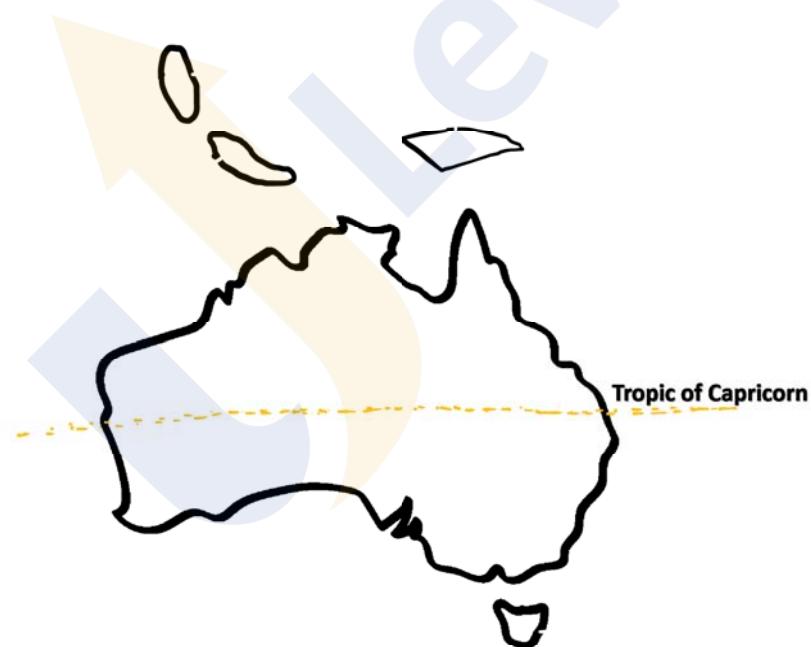
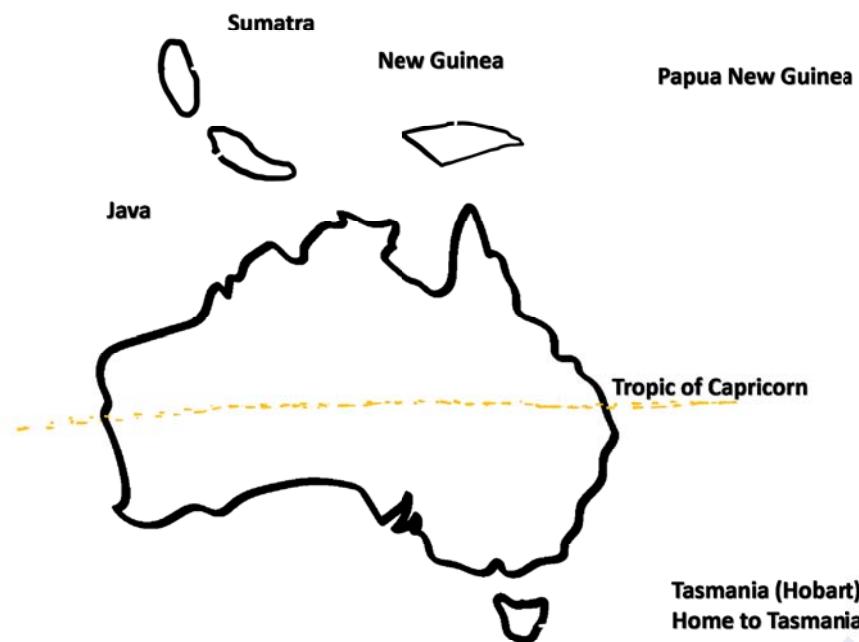
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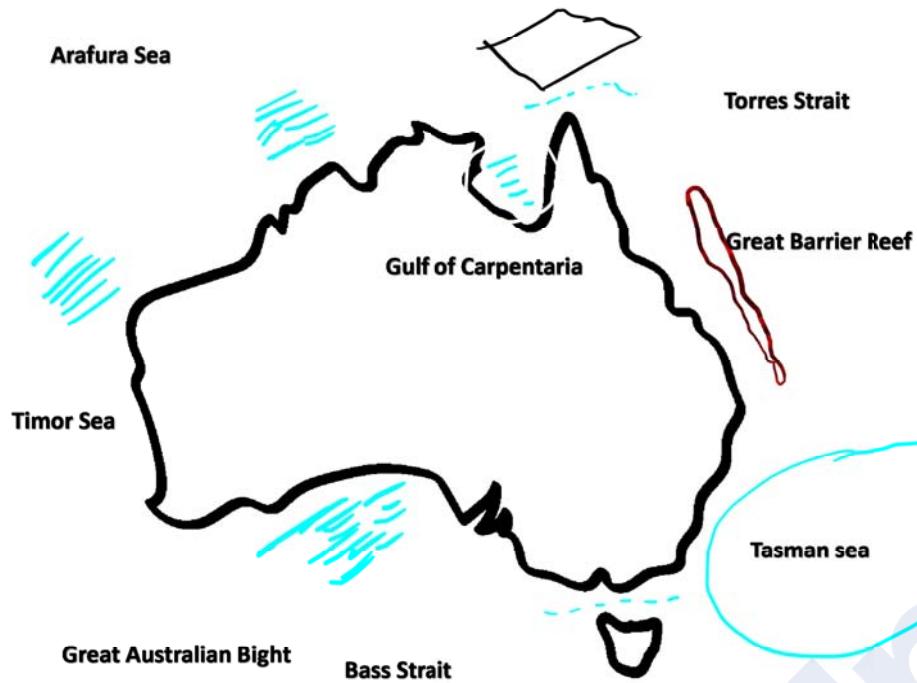
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Australia:

1. It is a continent but it is referred to as Continent Country
2. 6th largest country area wise
3. Entirely south of Equator and tropic of Capricorn bisects it
4. New settlements
5. Largest Island

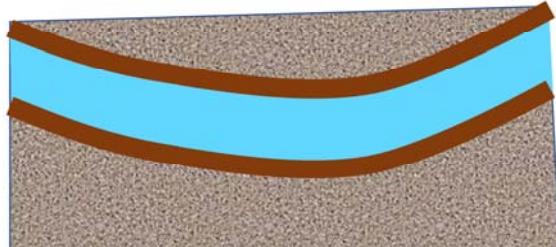
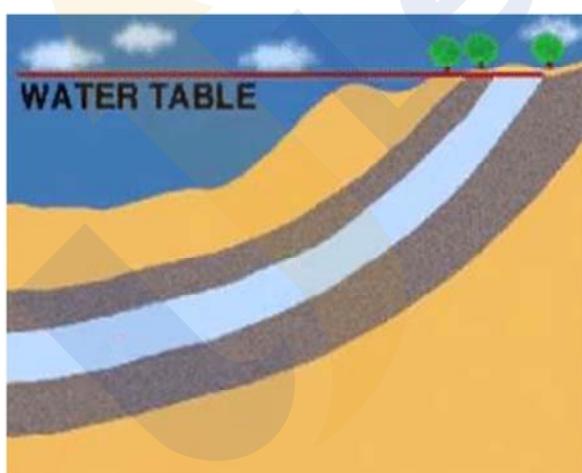


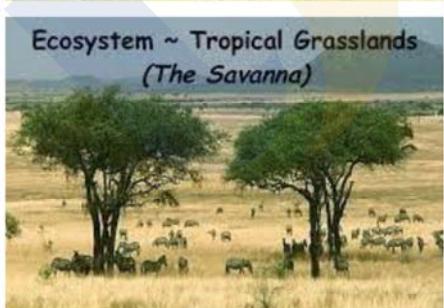






1. Western Highland	Plateau region
2. Low lying plain	It is a desert area (Nullarbor Desert)
3. Dry basin	Lake Eyre Basin (Part of the desert)
4. Eastern central Australia	Low land Known for Artesian wells
5. Mountains and highland	Great dividing range





Vegetation –



Gibson Desert

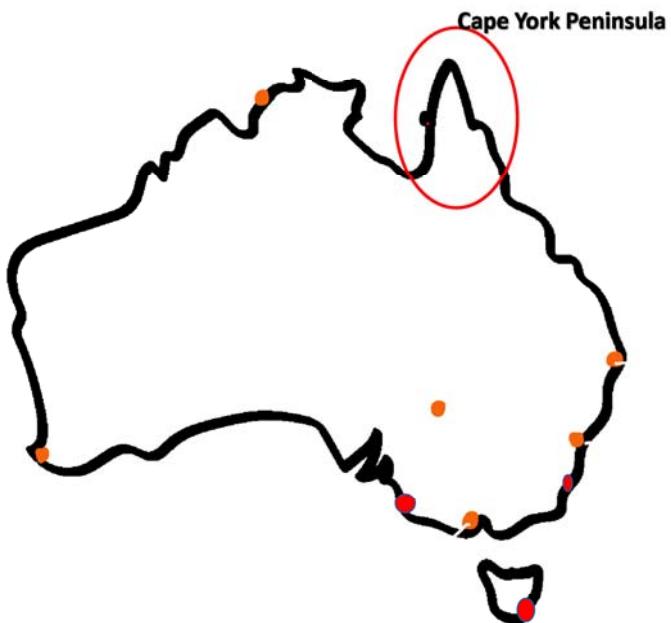
Stony Stuart Desert

Great Victorian
Desert

Nullarbor Desert

Lake Eyre Basin

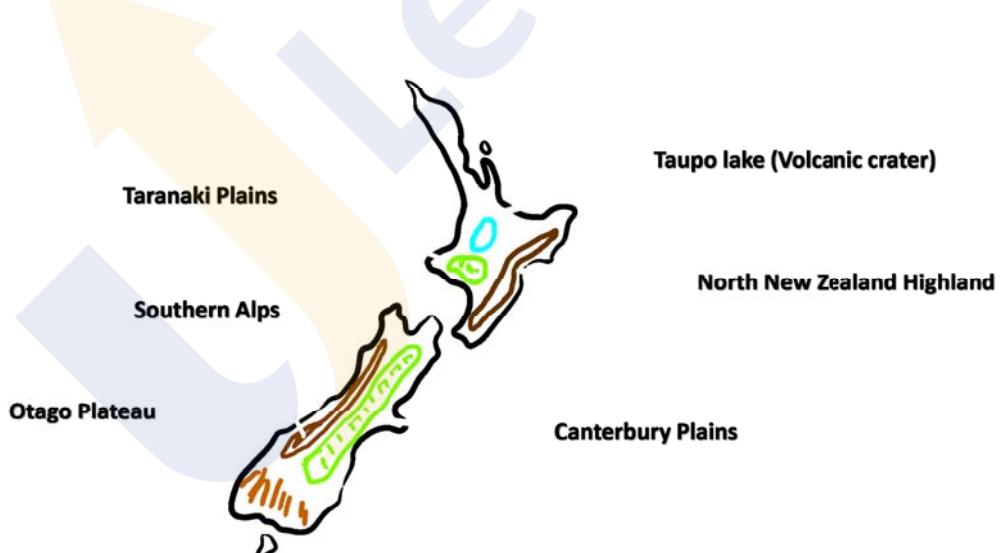




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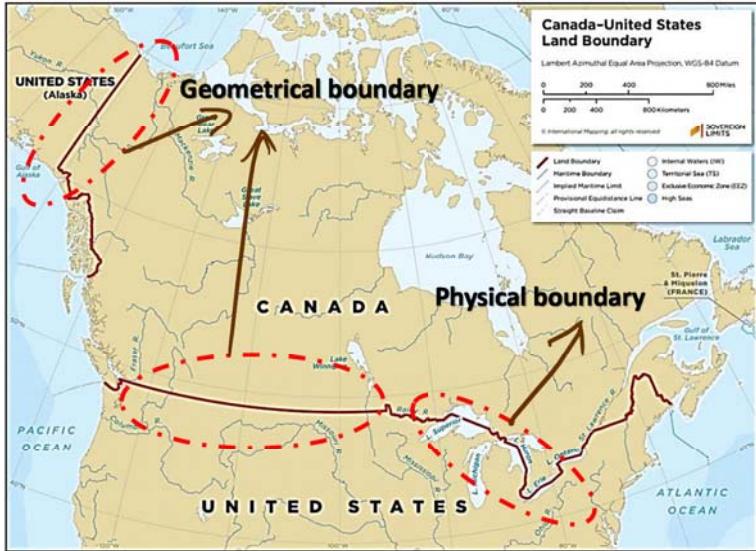
New World (NW)

- North America
- South America
- Europe
- Australia

Old World (OW)

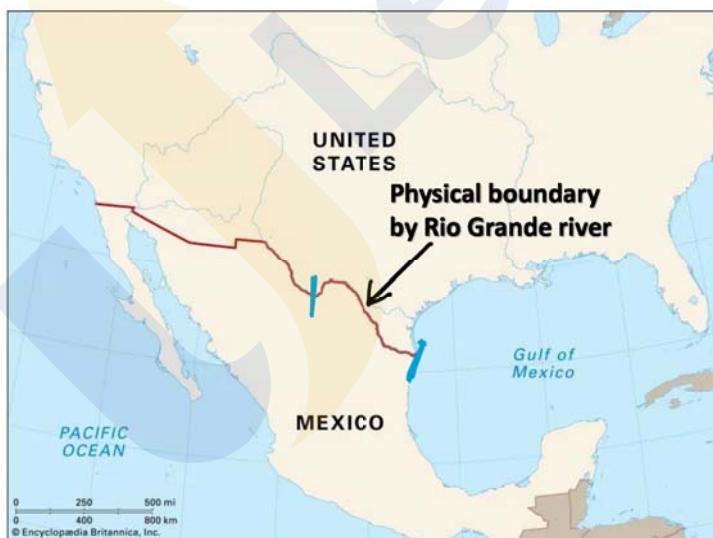
- Asia (older civilisation)





Types of Political boundaries

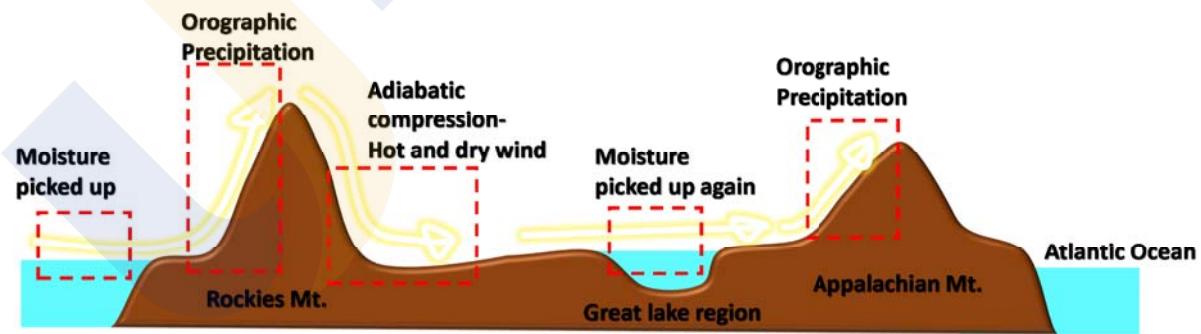
- **Physical** – Demarcated using physical features
- **Geometrical** – demarcated based on Longitude and latitude.







Impact of the Great lake region





BoWash Conurbation

Highest population area.

First settlement of British

- Boston,
- New York
- Philadelphia DC
- Baltimore
- Philadelphia



Great Plains

Prairies region

Temperate grassland

Extremely Flat topography

Wheat basket.

Tropical grassland

Low latitude,

Grasses are not nutritious.

Trees are present

Savana, Llanos, Campos.

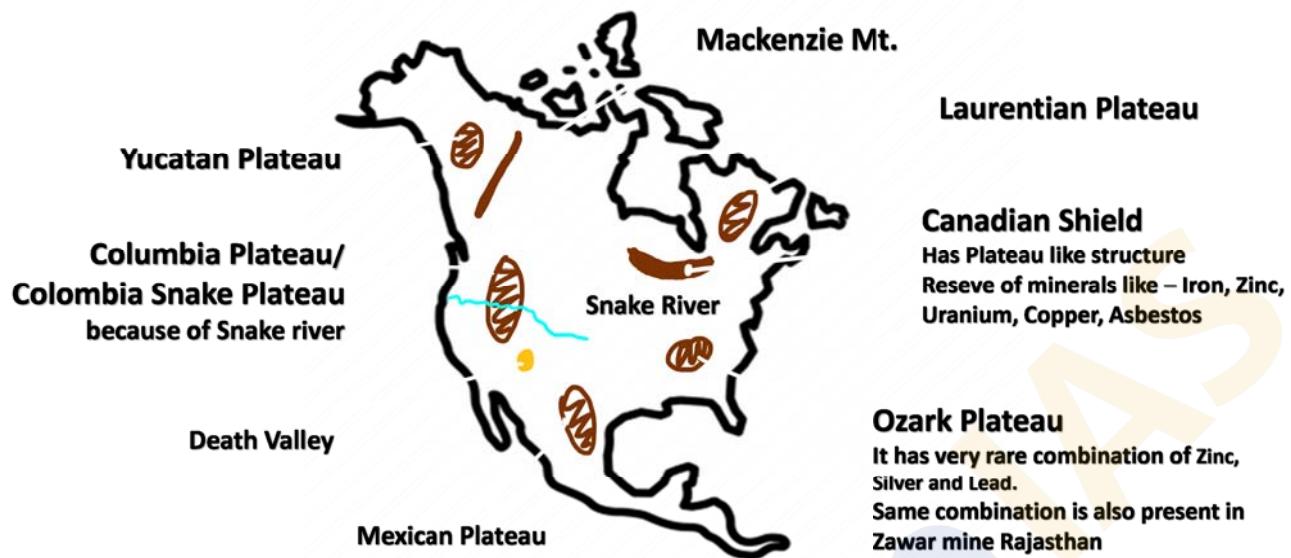
Temperate grassland

Mid-latitude

Pure grassland (no trees)

Grasses are nutritious

Soil has good humus





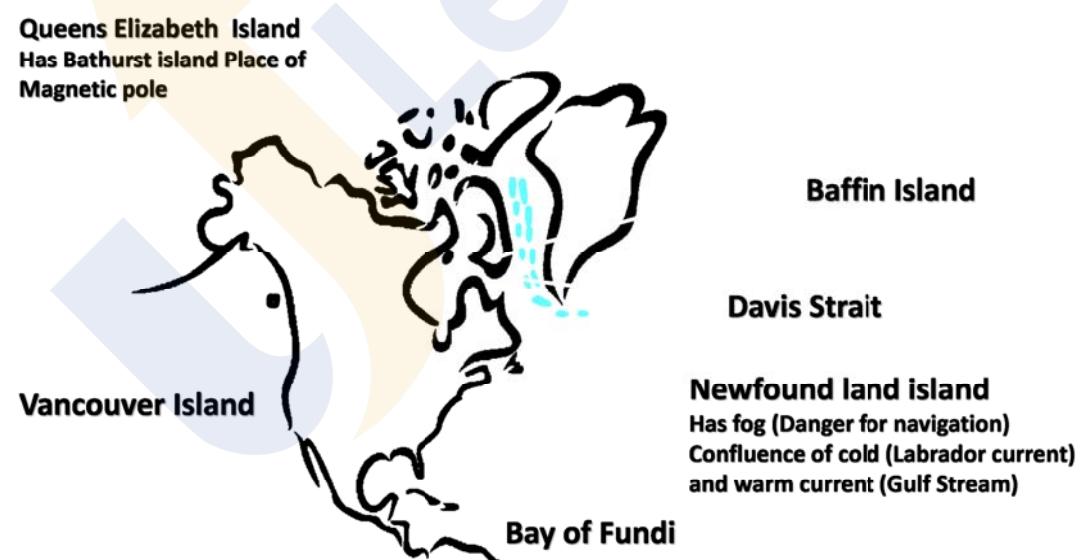
Hot Spring

No sudden eruption
Mineral-rich water

E.g. Hot spring of Rajgir, Bihar

Geyser

Sudden eruption (like a fountain)
E.g. Old Fountain geyser, Yellow stone park



Isthmus of Panama
Formed in last 2 – 3 million years



South America and North America have very different kinds of life forms.

Only after formation of Isthmus of Panama they started migrating.

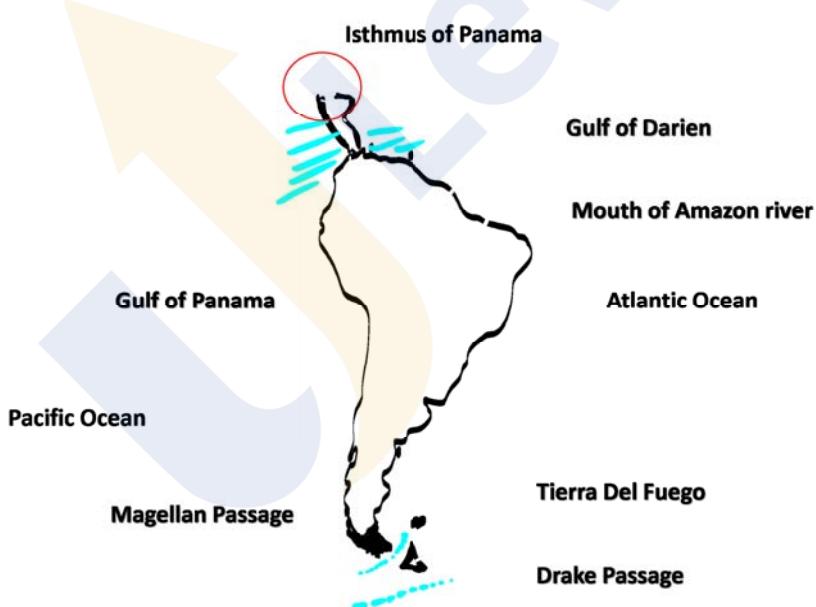
Eg –

- Armadillo
- Ant eater



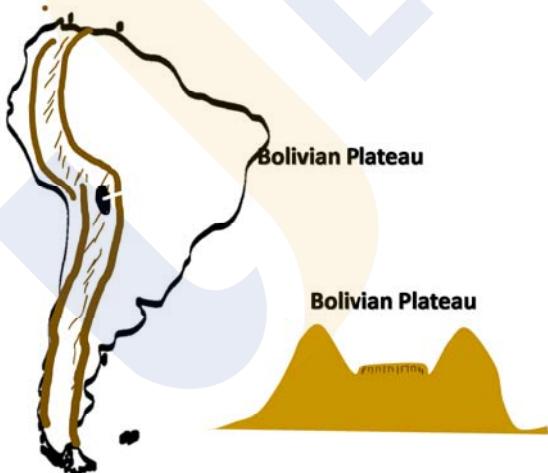


1. Equator passes through?
- Answer: ECB
2. Tropic of Capricorn passes through?
- Answer: CAP-B
3. Only 2 Landlocked country:
- Answer.





ANDES MOUNTAIN RANGE



One of the largest mountain range

Has active volcanos

- Chimborazo
- Cotopaxi
- Ojas Del Salados (Highest volcano of the world)

Aconcagua Mt.

- Highest peak in the Andes

Bolivian Plateau

- Intermontane Plateau between Andes ranges

It has two navigable lakes –

- Lake Titicaca, Lake Poppo

**Countries included**

- Venezuela
- Surinam
- Guyana
- French Guyana

It is Important for Bauxite mining

It is part of Gondwana land



The southern part of
the plateau is Mato
Grasso

There is rock similarity
between Brazil
highland and Loma Mt
of Africa

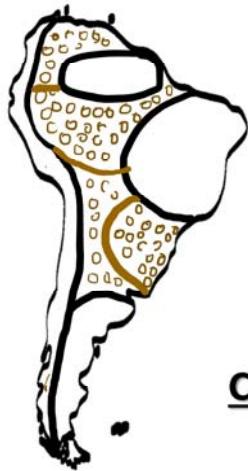


It is partly Volcanic in origin

Rain Shadow desert plateau

IDENTIFY THE FEATURES?





Central Lowlands



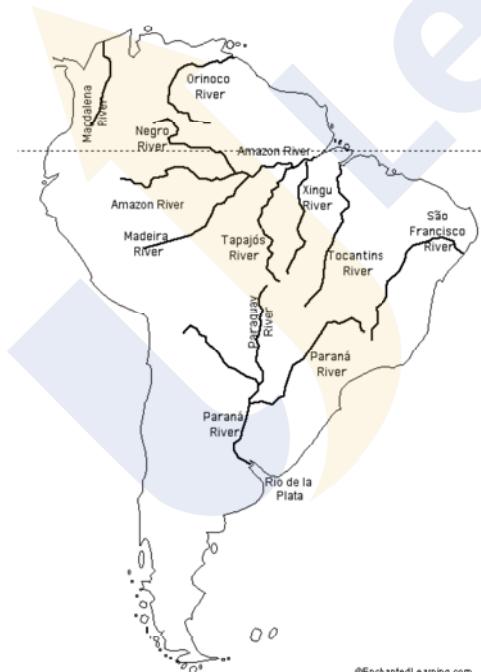
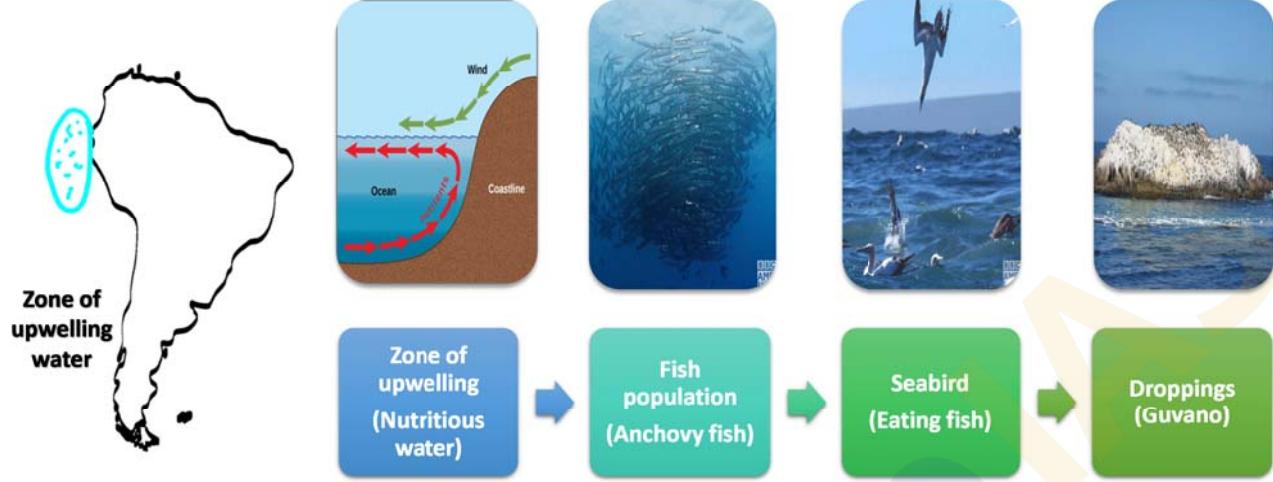
Vegetation

1. **Selvas:** Dense Equatorial Forest
2. **Campos and Llanos:** Tropical Grasslands
3. **Sertao and Catinga:** Dry Scrubland
4. **Pampas:** Temperate Grassland
5. **Extreme desert:** Chile Desert
6. **Semi Arid:** Patagonia Desert

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Amazon River System:

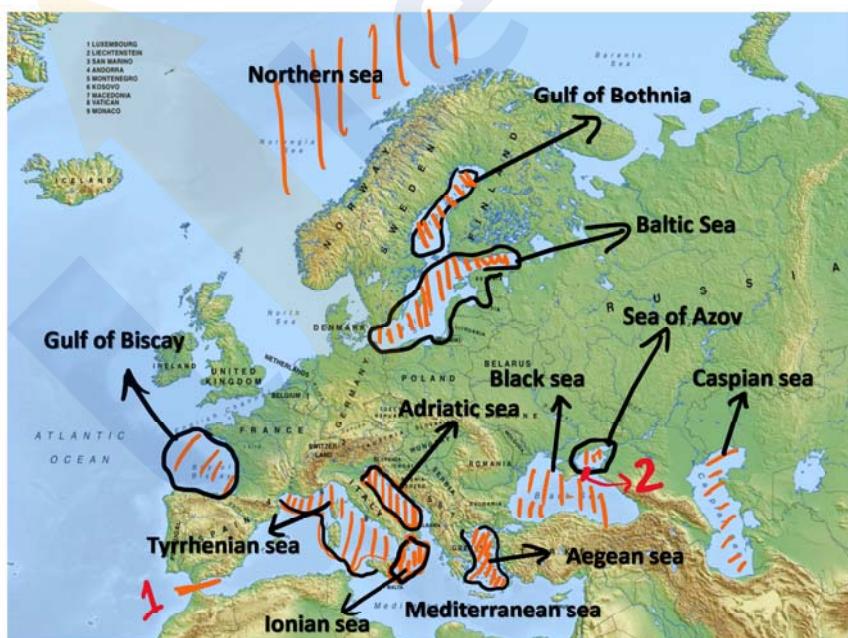
1. World's largest river
2. Origin: Andes
3. Has equatorial forest : Amazon of forest (Lungs of the Forest)
4. Petroleum is at mouth
5. Forest Fire and Deforestation

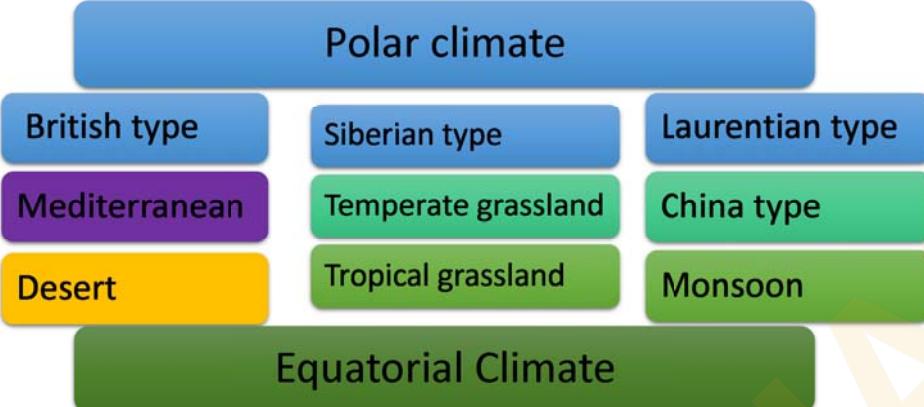
Parana and Paraguay River System:

1. Paraguay and Parana River: Rises in Brazilian Highland
2. Parana Paraguay river meets Uruguay River
3. Important for Hydroelectricity
4. Both drain at Rio de La plata region

Uruguay River

1. Source: Brazilian Highland
2. Drains in Rio de La plata region





Countries of Scandinavian Peninsula –

- Norway
- Sweden
- Finland
- Denmark
- Iceland

Very High In HDI ranking

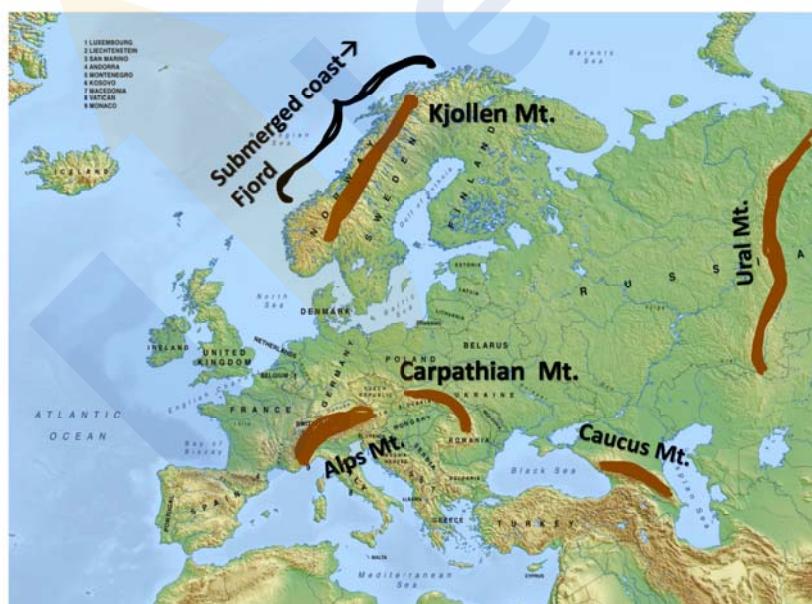
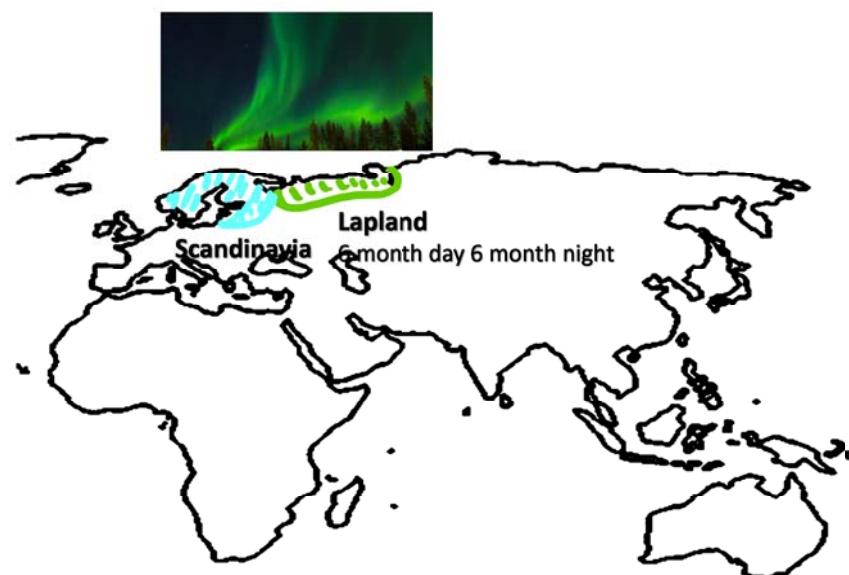
- Literacy
- Life expectancy
- Per capita



Lapps tribe

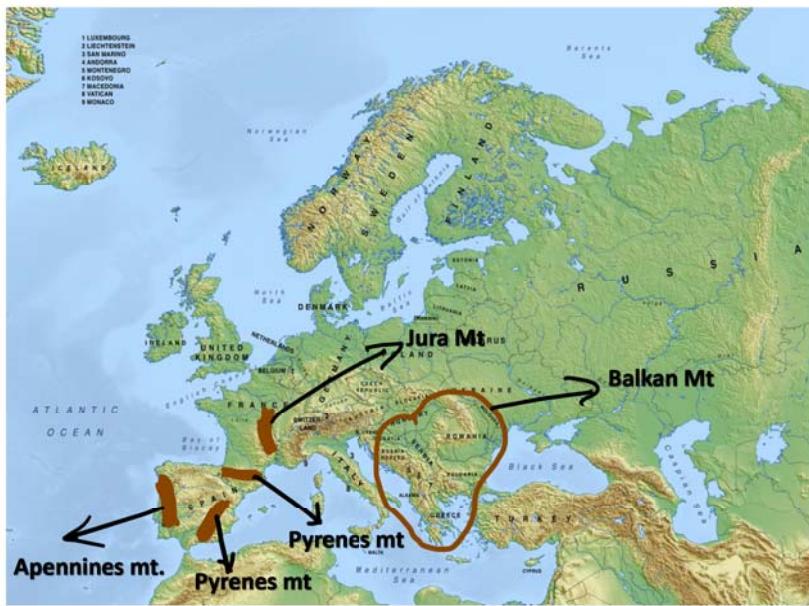


Samoyeds tribe



Kjollen Mt.
Sandwiched between
Norway and Sweden

Carpathian Mt.
3rd largest mt in Europe
after Ural and
Scandinavian mt.



Jura Mt
Black forest
Block mountains
Rhine Valley

Important Rivers



World Geography

2014: UPSC CSE

Turkey is located between

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2013

Consider the following pairs

Geographical Feature	Region
(a) Abyssinian Plateau	Arabia
(b) Atlas Mountains	North-Western Africa
(c) Guiana Highlands	South-Western Africa
(d) Okavango Basin	Patagonia

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Answer



2014: OTHER UPSC EXAM PAPER

Between Black Sea and Mediterranean Sea which is the country Located..

You know the answer

What is the lesson??

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Elimination Technique

On **9 October 2012**, while on a bus in the Swat District, after taking an exam, Yousafzai and two other girls were shot by a Tehrik-i Taliban Pakistan gunman in an assassination attempt in retaliation for her activism; the gunman fled the scene.

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Answer: C

Other things to ponder?

Which of them is Landlocked?

L: Laos: Landlocked

Name countries

Mekong River

Mekong Ganga Co-operation



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Landlocked countries in West Asia



Dead Sea?
Gulf of Aqaba



Gulf of Aqaba: JESI

The Gulf of Aqaba or Gulf of Eilat

Gulf at the northern tip of the Red Sea,
east of the Sinai Peninsula

west of the Arabian Peninsula.

Its coastline: Egypt, Israel,
Jordan, Saudi Arabia.



2015: GOLAN HEIGHTS

The area known as "Golan Heights" sometimes appears in the news in the context of the events related to

- (a) Central Asia
- (b) Middle East
- (c) South-East Asia
- (d) Central Africa

Answer: B



2016

Community sometimes in the affairs of mentioned in the news

1. Kurd : Bangladesh
2. Madhesi : Nepal
3. Rohingya : Myanmar

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2016

Answer: c

Khurd: SITI. Northern Kurdistan (Turkey); Southern Kurdistan (Iraq); Eastern Kurdistan (Iran); Western Kurdistan (Syria)



2017: Again Med Sea

Mediterranean Sea is a border of which of the following countries?

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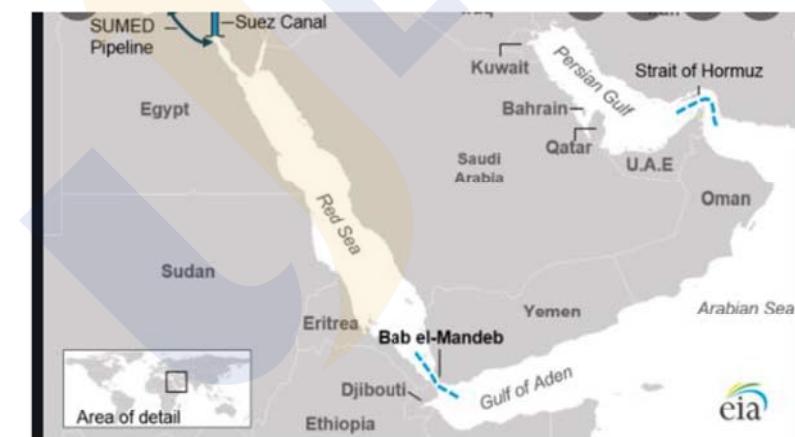
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Revise With me



Home Work:

Capitals of West Asia

Capitals of Central Asia

North to South Location

2017: Closest to Nicobar

Which of the following is geographically closest to Great Nicobar ?

- (a) Sumatra
- (b) Borneo
- (c) Java
- (d) Sri Lanka

What is the question asking: West to east Islands of



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2018: Question

Which of the following has/have shrunk immensely/dried up the recent past due to human activities?

1. Aral Sea
2. Black Sea
3. Lake Baikal

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3
- (c) 2 only
- (d) 1 and 3

Answer: A

- Aral Sea used to be the fourth largest lake in the world, after the Caspian Sea, and Lakes Superior and Victoria. Now barely 10% of it is left. BBC-2014. This eliminates B and C, because they don't contain #1.
- So, it all boils down to whether Lake Baikal has shrunk immensely or not?
- Baikal **might** share the destiny of the Aral Sea in future. 'Construction of three hydro power stations on the Selenga River and its tributaries **can cause** the unique lake to dry out.'
- Lake Baikal's had issues like disappearance of the omul fish, rapid growth of putrid algae and the death of endemic species of sponges but there is no mention of immensely drying up.

2018: Countries and Places

Consider the following pairs:

Towns in news	Country
1. Aleppo	Syria
2. Kirkuk	Yemen
3. Mosul	Palestine
4. Mazar-i-sharif	Afghanistan

Which of the following pairs given above are correctly matched?

1 and 2 only

1 and 4 only

2 and 3 only

3 and 4 only

Ans: B





2018: Map

Consider the following pairs:

Regions in news - Country

1. Catalonia - Spain
2. Crimea- Hungary
3. Mindanao- Philippines
4. Oromia- Nigeria

Which of the pair given above are correctly matched?

- (a) 1, 2 and 3
- (b) 3 and 4 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 2 and 4 only

Answer: c

Catalonia Issue:

The 2017–2018 Spanish constitutional crisis, also known as the Catalan crisis, was a political conflict between the Government of Spain and the government of the autonomous community of Catalonia until 28 October 2017—over the issue of Catalan independence

Crimea



Oromia: Ethiopia



2019

Consider the following pairs: Sea Bordering country

1. Adriatic Sea : Albania
 2. Black Sea : Croatia
 3. Caspian Sea : Kazakhstan
 4. Mediterranean Sea : Morocco
 5. Red Sea : Syria
- Which of the pairs given above are correctly matched?
- (a) 1, 2 and 4 only
(b) 1, 3 and 4 only
(c) 2 and 5 only
(d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

Mnemonics

REMEMBER COUNTRIES SURROUNDING BLACK SEA

BURGR-T



B → BULGARIA

U → UKRAINE

R → RUSSIA

G → GEORGIA

R → ROMANIA

T → TURKEY

Not Tajik..

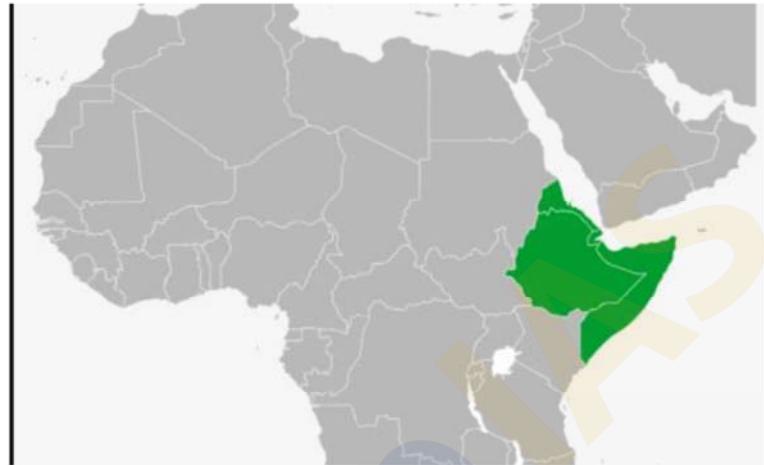


REMEMBER COUNTRIES AROUND CASPIAN SEA

- T → Turkmenistan
- A → Azerbaijan
- R → Russia
- I → Iran
- K → Kazakhstan

REMEMBER HORN OF AFRICA COUNTRIES

- S → Somalia
- E → Ethiopia
- E → Eritrea
- D → Djibouti



REMEMBER COUNTRIES SURROUNDING RED SEA

- D → Djibouti
- E → Eritrea
- S → Sudan
- S → Saudi Arabia
- E → Egypt
- Y → Yemen

NOT SOMALIA



Equator Passes through which countries



1. South America: ECB
2. Africa-Near: GS-DUCKS
3. South East Asia- Near: KIM

REMEMBER COUNTRIES SURROUNDING SOUTH CHINA SEA

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- V → Vietnam
- I → Indonesia
- M → Malasia
- P → Phillipines
- S → Singapore
- B → Brunei
- C → China
- T → Taiwan

China, Republic of China (Taiwan), the Philippines, Malaysia, Brunei, Indonesia, Singapore, and Vietnam.



S → SINGAPORE
V → VIETNAM
I → INDONESIA
M → MALASIA
P → PHILIPPINES
B → BRUNEI
C → CHINA
T → TAIWAN

REMEMBER AFRICAN COUNTRIES SURROUNDING MEDITERRANEAN SEA

- M → Morocco
- E → Egypt
- T → Tunisia
- A → Algeria
- L → Libya

REMEMBER ASIAN COUNTRIES SURROUNDING MEDITERRANEAN SEA

- C → Cyprus
- L → Lebanon
- I → Israel
- S → Syria
- T → Turkey

2020

. Consider the following pairs:

Rivers	Flows into
1. Mekong	Andaman Sea
2. Thames	Irish Sea
3. Volga	Caspian Sea
4. Zambezi	Indian Ocean

Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 3 only
- (c) 3 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 4 only

Important Information

Answer: C

- Thames: North Sea
- Mekong Drain in South China Sea
- The Irrawaddy River and its tributaries flow into the Andaman Sea through the Irrawaddy Delta.
- Indian Ocean: Limpopo, Zambezi
- Volga rises in the Valdai Hills northwest of Moscow, the Volga discharges into **the Caspian Sea**
- Zambezi River: The Zambezi River is the fourth-longest river in Africa, the longest east-flowing river in Africa and the largest flowing into the Indian Ocean from Africa. Its drainage basin covers 1,390,000 square kilometres, slightly less than half of the Nile's

2022

Consider the following pairs:

Region often mentioned in the news: Country

- | | |
|-----------------|----------|
| 1. Anatolia | Turkey |
| 2. Amhara | Ethiopia |
| 3. Cabo Delgado | Spain |
| 4. Catalonia | Italy |

How many pairs given above are correctly matched?

- a) Only one pair
- (b) Only two pairs
- (c) Only three pairs
- (d) All four pairs

Africa: 4-5 regions in News

- Okovango
- Lake Chad
- Darfur: Sudan
- Oromia: Ethiopia: Tigrae Population
- Europe: Bavaria Region
- Saxon: Germany, Poland
- Gallic Region: Scotland
- Chechenya: Russia
- Transvalania: Romania
- Taiwan: Fukien Taiwanese are ethnic Group
- Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania: Countries around Baltic Sea

- Anatolia: Turkey
- Catalonia is Spain.
- Amhara: Ethnic groups in Ethiopia
- Cabo Delgado: Mozambique, Cabo is Portuguese word and it means Cape.
- Cabo da Rama in Goa: Cape of Rama,

Know other region:

- Canada: Nunavut: Arctic melting
- Cao Roque: Droughts Delta: Extreme poverty
- Amazonia:
- Iraq: Khurd
- Armenia: Naxcivan: Azerbaijan ka autonomous region

2022

Which one of the lakes of West Africa has become dry and turned into a desert?

1. Lake Victoria
2. Lake Faguibine
3. Lake Oguta
4. Lake Volta

Answer: Lake Faguibine

- Lake Victoria is in news
- Lake Volta. Akosombo Dam – also known as the Volta Dam – is on the Volta River in south east Ghana. Lake volta is artificial Lake
- Lake Kainji: Dam on River Niger, 4 major dam: Jubba, Shiroro, Kandadji
- Lake on Congo: Stanley Falls, Congo, former name for the Boyoma Falls
- Lake on Zambezi: Stanley
- Lake Nasser: Egypt and Also Aswan dam
- Vaal River, northern tributary of the Orange River, South Africa

Lake around Desert:

- Great Bear, Great Slave, Athabasca: Canada
- Salt Lake: USA
- Poppo, Titicaca: South America
- Panatal: Largest Wetland
- Nyasa, Tanganyiga, Turkana (Rudolf), Lake Asal(Djibouti),
- Lake Van: Turkey
- Lake Urumia: Iran
- Dead Sea: Jordan, Israel
- Lake Chad:
- Lake Baikal:
- Lake Ton Le sab: Cambodia
- Lake Ladoga is a freshwater lake located in the Republic of Karelia and Leningrad Oblast in northwestern Russia, in the vicinity of Saint Petersburg. It is the largest lake located entirely in Europe, the second largest lake after Baikal in Russia
- Lake Taupo: Crater Lake

2022

The term "Levant" often heard in the news roughly corresponds to which of the following regions?

- (a) Region along the eastern Mediterranean shores
- (b) Region along North African shores stretching from Egypt to Morocco
- (c) Region along Persian Gulf and Horn of Africa
- (d) The entire coastal Mediterranean Sea of areas

Answer: East Mediterranean

It is borrowed from the French levant 'rising', referring to the rising of the sun in the east or the point where the sun rises. Beirut is part of East. It is part of green Crescent. Levant includes

Know about:

1. Scandinavia
2. Balkan
3. Caucasus

Answer: Elimination of option 1.

- Know the border along Ukraine and Black Sea, Israel, North Korea and
- The **Syngman Rhee Line** (was a marine boundary line established by South Korean President Syngman Rhee in his "**Peace Line**" declaration of January 18, 1952, establishing a wide area of maritime sovereignty, beyond internationally accepted territorial waters, around the entire Korean Peninsula)