

Finn's African Continent Expedition Log

Learning objective: To identify key geographical features of Africa and understand its diverse climates and human geography.

Join Finn the dolphin on a grand voyage! Use your research skills to complete this fact-file. You will need to investigate the physical and human geography of Africa to fill in the sections below. Be precise with your terminology and think carefully about how the continent's climate influences the way people live.

Word bank: Equator · Sahara · Savannah · Climate · Hemisphere · Continent · Terrain · Tributary · Urbanisation · Environment

1. Location and Climate: Describe the position of Africa in relation to the Equator and explain how this affects the continent's climate patterns. (3 marks)

2. Physical Features: Identify two major physical landmarks (such as a mountain range, desert, or river) and explain why these features are significant to the region. (3 marks)

3. Human Geography: Compare and contrast life in a large, bustling city with life in a rural village. What might be the main differences in their daily activities? (4 marks)

4. Environmental Diversity: Explain why Africa has such a wide variety of habitats, ranging from dense rainforests to vast, arid deserts. (3 marks)

5. Justify your answer: If you were planning an expedition across the continent, which region would you choose to explore first and why? (3 marks)

6. What might happen if: Imagine the climate in the Sahara region became significantly wetter over the next fifty years. How would this change the lives of the people and animals living there? (4 marks)

Extension challenge: Research a specific African country. Create a 'Travel Guide' poster that highlights its capital city, local currency (£ equivalent), main language, and one major physical feature. Use persuasive language to encourage Finn to visit!