Finn’s African Continent Fact-File

Learning objective: To identify and describe key geographical features, climate zones, and human geography of the African continent.

Join Finn the dolphin on his latest expedition! Use your atlases, classroom textbooks, or reliable online resources to research the continent of Africa. Complete each section of this fact-file to demonstrate your geographical knowledge. Ensure you use specific geographical vocabulary and provide accurate details.

Word bank: Equator · Sahara · Savannah · Hemisphere · Tributary · Urbanisation · Climate zone · Landlocked · Topography · Biome

1. Geographical Location: Describe Africa’s position on the globe using lines of latitude and longitude. Mention which oceans border the continent. (3 marks)

2. Climate and Biomes: Identify two distinct climate zones in Africa. Describe the vegetation and weather patterns typically found in these areas. (4 marks)

3. Physical Features: Choose one major African river or mountain range. Explain its significance to the surrounding environment and the people who live nearby. (3 marks)

4. Human Geography: Choose one African city. Describe its importance to the country's economy or culture and explain how it has changed over time. (3 marks)

5. Environmental Challenge: Identify one environmental challenge currently facing an African region (e.g. desertification or water scarcity) and suggest one way it is being managed. (3 marks)

Extension challenge: Research a specific African country. Create a small table comparing its GDP per capita (in £) with its population size. Why might these two figures be connected?