Continent of Africa
What Is a Continent?

Here are the seven continents of Planet Earth. A continent is a massive piece of land that is often separated from other areas of land by water or another feature such as mountains.
Ha ha! I've taken letters away from the names of these continents. I don't think you'll be able to guess what they are!
Continents

South America
North America
Africa
Europe
Asia
Oceania
Here is a map which shows the countries that are in the continent of Africa. Geographic!
Africa

How many African countries can you remember the names of? With your partner, see how many you can think of in one minute.
What Is Africa?

Look at these pictures. Which are of Africa and which aren’t?
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Did you work it out? They are all pictures of Africa.

Let’s travel to Africa to find out more about this amazing continent. To the Vroomster!
Today, we are going to be learning about the continent of Africa. Tell your partner anything you already know about Africa.

Here’s Ubercorn with some Funky Facts.
What Is a Landmark?

Can you remember what a landmark is?
A landmark is something that stands out in an area. It could be a building, a bridge, a lake or river, a sculpture or something else. These places might be special because of their age or their size.
A landmark makes a place recognisable. This means you could look at a picture of a landmark and know straight away where it is.
Do you recognise any of these famous landmarks from around the world?
Famous Landmarks

Statue of Liberty, USA
Famous Landmarks

St Basil’s Cathedral, Russia
Famous Landmarks

The Great Wall, China
The Sahara Desert

A desert is a place that has less than 25cm of rain a year. Deserts don’t have to be hot – there are deserts in very cold places too.
The Sahara Desert is in northern Africa. It is the largest hot desert in the world and stretches across 11 different countries.

Now let's look at landmarks in Africa!
This is the Maasai Mara in Kenya. It is named after the Maasai, a group of people who have lived in the region for many hundreds of years. Here is Ubercorn with some Funky Facts.
The Timgad ruins are what is left of a Roman city built almost two thousand years ago. The ruins are in Algeria in North Africa. In the photo, you can see the Trajan Arch.
Some of Africa’s most famous landmarks are the pyramids of Giza in Egypt. Ubercorn is here to tell us more about it.
Victoria Falls is on the Zambezi river, along the border of two countries, Zambia and Zimbabwe. It is one of the world’s largest waterfalls. The noise of the water is so loud that it can be heard from almost 40 kilometres away! This is why the falls are known locally as ‘Mosi-oa-Tunya’ which means ‘the smoke that thunders’.
Table Mountain is an unusual mountain in South Africa. Let's find out more from Ubercorn's Funky Facts.
The El-Tabia mosque is in Egypt. A mosque is where Muslim people go to worship. The mosque has two tall towers called minarets. Every day, a special call to tell Muslims it is time to pray is given from a minaret.
Landmarks Quiz

How much have you learnt about African landmarks?
It’s time to find out!
1. What is a landmark?

a. A patch of dirt on some land.

b. Something that stands out in an area.

c. A sign on a map.
Landmarks Quiz

2. Which of these is not a country in Africa?

a. Egypt
b. Zambia
c. England
3. What is the name of the desert we have learnt about?

a. The Sahara Desert

b. The Landmark Desert

c. The Africa Desert
4. What shape are the special buildings in Egypt that Ubercorn told us about?

a. Pyramid
b. Cuboid
c. Sphere
5. What is unusual about the mountain in South Africa that Ubercorn took us to?

a. It is the tallest mountain in the world.

b. It is impossible to climb.

c. It is shaped like a table.