



Map of the World Jigsaw Puzzle



Fun Fact File





The Key

Some countries shown on the map are too small to directly put their names on, so we've used numbers instead. The key on the side of the puzzle lists all the countries represented by numbers.

Please note that all the information has been researched through various sources to ensure as much accuracy as possible.

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The world is full of wonderful and interesting things. Use this fact file to discover landmarks, animals, food, people and objects. Widen your geographical knowledge and think about the places you've been to or might like to visit in the future.

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Hot Springs

Hot springs are a natural phenomenon in Greenland. The water is heated by deep layers in the Earth's crust rubbing against each other. The best ones for bathing in are on the island of Uunatorq with temperatures of 37-38°C.



Inuits

Inuits are a group of indigenous people who live in the Arctic. They are resourceful hunters and use materials from animals for clothing, transport and housing.



Ice Hockey

Ice Hockey is a sport played on ice skates on an ice rink. Players hit a puck to try and score a goal against the other team. The first organised indoor game was played in 1875 in Montreal.



Poutine

Poutine is a classic Canadian dish made of french fries, cheese curds and gravy. It is thought to originate from Québec, but those claims are debatable.



Baseball

Baseball is a bat and ball sport played on a pitch with bases placed in a diamond shape. It is very similar to the British sport of Rounders.



The White House

The White House is the home and workplace of the president of the United States. It has been around since the year 1800.



Pecan Pie

A popular dessert from southern U.S.A, this sweet pie is often served at holiday meals such as Thanksgiving.



Chichén Itzá

Chichén Itzá was a city built by the Mayans. Many stone buildings and pyramids can still be seen today, such as this pyramid called the Temple of Kukulcán.



Cocoa Beans

These pods contain cocoa beans, which are left to ferment and dry out. They are then roasted, ground and heated to turn it into a liquid.



Capybara

The Capybara is the largest rodent in the world. They are strong swimmers and have partially webbed feet to help them paddle.



Amazon Rainforest

This rainforest covers a large majority of the north west of South America, going across 9 countries! 10% of the world's wildlife can be found here.



Christ the Redeemer

Located in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, this statue of Jesus Christ stands at 30 metres tall. It was created in an Art Deco style and took 9 years to build.



Capoeira

Capoeira is a Brazilian art form that combines parts of martial arts, dance, acrobatics, music and spirituality.



Cholitas

Cholitas are indigenous women of Bolivia. They wear wide layered skirts called 'pollera' and wrap items to carry on their back with an 'aguayo'.



Machu Picchu

This estate was built by the Inca Empire in the 15th century. It's not entirely known what this place was used for as the Incas did not have a written language.



Empanadas

Empanadas are a baked or fried pastry with a filling. They are popular throughout the continent, especially in countries such as Argentina and Cuba.



Cueva de las Manos

This cave found in Santa Cruz, Argentina, has hundreds of hand paintings created by stencils. It dates back to around 7,300 BC.



Moai Statue

These very large rock statues on Easter Island were created to honour important people who had passed away.



Tagine

This clay pot is used to cook the dish of the same name. Its cone shape lets steam rise and water trickle down to keep the food moist.



Tutankhamun

Tutankhamun is the most well known Egyptian Pharaoh. He was only 9 when he became king! Unfortunately he only lived until he was 18.



Djembe

These rope-tuned drums are made from wood with a animal skin stretched on top. They are played by hand.



Coffee

Ethiopia is thought to be where coffee beans originally grew. Did you know that the beans come from the Coffea plant's red seeds?



Maasai People

The Maasai are a tribe who live in Kenya and Tanzania. Their livestock is very important to them and is the main source of their food and wealth.



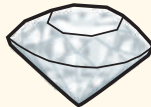
Victoria Falls

This waterfall is part of the Zambezi River on the border of Zambia and Zimbabwe. Around 500 millions litres of water pour over the edge every second!



Cheetah

They are the fastest land animal and can go from 0 to 60mph in 3 seconds. Their long, light tail helps them make sharp turns when running.



Diamond

Botswana is the top African country for mining diamonds. This highly expensive gem is actually a mineral made of pure carbon.



Baobab

These types of trees can be found in Madagascar, Africa and Australia. They have very wide trunks and can live for thousands of years!



Big Ben

Big Ben is the nickname for the bell of the clock at the Palace of Westminster in London, England. The huge bell weighs over 13 tons!



The Eiffel Tower

The Eiffel Tower in Paris, France, is the most visited monument with a fee in the world. It has been used to transmit radio and digital television signals.



Football

Football is very popular across Europe. In Spain, it is the number 1 sport. They are the first country to win three straight major championships (Euro 2008, FIFA World Cup 2010 and Euro 2012).



The Leaning Tower of Pisa

This bell tower was completed in 1372. Its lean comes from having foundations that were too small in soft soil. The tower started to sink after the second floor was built.



Parthenon

The Parthenon is a temple on the Athenian Acropolis in Greece. It was dedicated to the goddess Athena during the 5th century BC.



Pysanky Eggs

Pysanky eggs are decorative Easter eggs from Ukraine. Designs are applied with wax and the egg is dipped in dyes, in a method called batik.



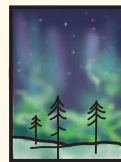
Pierogi

These boiled dumplings are filled with savoury or sweet fillings. Typically they contain potato, cheese and sauerkraut. They are often served on Christmas Eve in Poland.



Dala Horse

The Dala Horse is a traditionally carved and hand painted wooden horse. It originates from the Swedish province of Dalarna.



The Northern Lights

Aurora Borealis or the Northern Lights, are a natural light display in the night sky. It occurs through disturbances in the magnetic fields around the Earth's poles.



- Afghanistan
- Armenia (transcontinental)
- Azerbaijan (transcontinental)
- Bahrain
- Bangladesh
- Bhutan
- Brunei
- Cambodia
- China
- Egypt (transcontinental)
- Georgia (transcontinental)
- India
- Indonesia
- Iran
- Iraq
- Israel
- Japan

- Jordan
- Kazakhstan (transcontinental)
- Kuwait
- Kyrgyzstan
- Laos
- Lebanon
- Malaysia
- Maldives
- Mongolia
- Myanmar
- Nepal
- North Korea
- Oman
- Pakistan
- Philippines
- Qatar

- Russia (transcontinental)
- Saudi Arabia
- Singapore
- South Korea
- Sri Lanka
- Syria
- Taiwan
- Tajikistan
- Thailand
- Timor-Leste
- Türkiye (transcontinental)
- Turkmenistan
- United Arab Emirates
- Uzbekistan
- Vietnam
- Yemen





Balalaika

The balalaika is a triangle shaped, 3 string instrument. It's usually played in folk music and some orchestras.



Eagle Hunter

Hunting with eagles is a skill passed down through nomadic herder families in Mongolia. The eagles help catch foxes, hares and wild cats, mostly for their fur.



The Great Wall of China

The Great Wall of China is 13,170.7 miles long, which is as long as half the equator! It was originally built as a defense to keep out invaders.



Torii Gate

These gates stand at the entrance of Shinto shrines in Japan. They separate the sacred area from the everyday world.



Tarsier

Tarsiers are primates that are about the size of a tennis ball. They have the largest eyes compared to their body of any mammal.



The Taj Mahal

This white marble building was built by Mughal emperor Shah Jahan to keep the tomb of his third wife, Mumtaz Mahal. It took around 22,000 people 17 years to complete it.



Minakari

Minakari is an art form of painting and colouring metal and ceramic objects with enamel. It features intricate geometric designs and swirls.



The Kaaba

The Kaaba is a building at the centre of Islam's most important and sacred mosque in Mecca, Saudi Arabia. It is considered to be the house of God.



Tulips

Tulips are native to Central Asia and Türkiye. It is the country's national flower. The botanical name *Tulipa* means "turban" in Turkish.



Australia/Oceania

Official Countries

- Australia
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Marshall Islands
- Nauru
- New Zealand
- Palau
- Papua New Guinea
- Samoa/Samoan Islands
- Solomon Islands
- The Federated States of Micronesia
- Tonga
- Tuvalu
- Vanuatu





Surfing

The sea around Australia produces lots of large waves, so it's a great place to go surfing. People ride on a surfboard along a wave which pushes them towards the shore.



Traditional Indigenous Art

This type of art form is thought to be the oldest in the world. Indigenous people of Australia use symbols instead of a written language to tell stories through their art.



Boomerang

Boomerangs were used by Australian indigenous people to hunt animals. If it's thrown correctly, it travels in a curved path and returns to where it was thrown.



Kangaroo

Kangaroos are the largest marsupial in the world. Their long tail helps them balance and can also be used as a fifth leg when walking slowly.



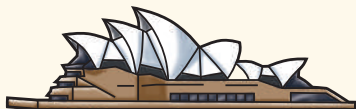
Uluru

This ancient inselberg (island mountain) is around 500 million years old and is 348 metres tall. It's even older than the dinosaurs!



The Great Barrier Reef

It's the largest reef in the world and can even be seen from space. It is home to lots of coral, sea plants and tropical fish.



Sydney Opera House

As Australia's number 1 tourist destination, it welcomes over 8.2 million people a year! It is a performing arts centre, which presents a variety of shows.



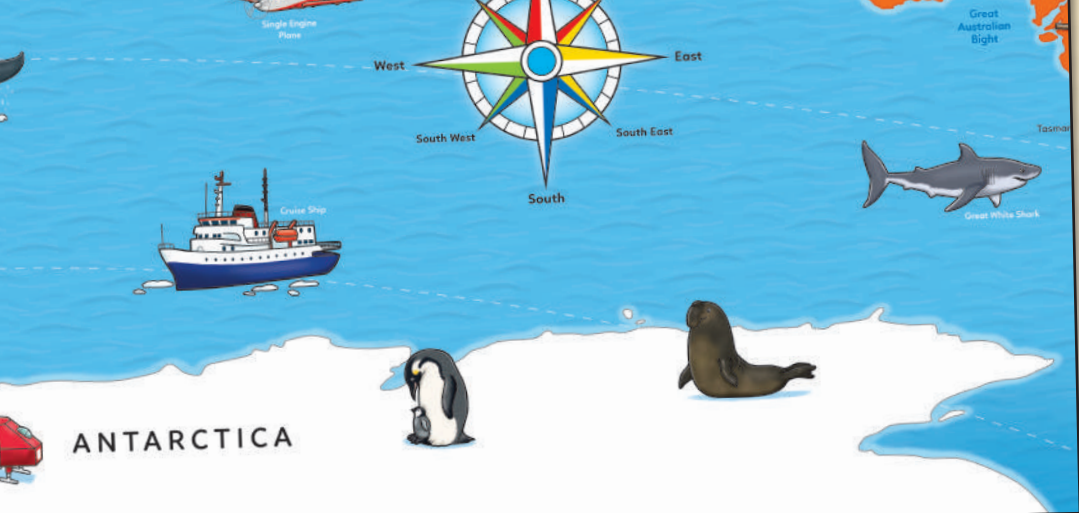
Rugby

New Zealand's rugby team called the All Blacks, are one of the most successful in the world. It is the most watched sport in the country.



Kiwi

These nocturnal birds native to New Zealand, cannot fly. Their feathers have evolved to be more like hair as they spend their time on the ground.



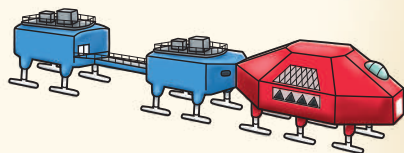
Explorer

People have been trying to explore the continent since the 19th century in an attempt to reach the South Pole. Many people risked and some lost their lives in the process.



Tent

These specially designed tents are crucial to help keep people warm in the very cold climate. They are shared between 2-3 people and have to house all their equipment.



Research Station

Many countries have set up permanent research bases on Antarctica. The British Halley VI Research Station helps scientists study global problems like climate change and space weather.



Cruise Ship

Tourists can see Antarctica and its wildlife on cruise ships. They have to be well built and equipped to deal with the cold weather and icebergs!



Emperor Penguin

These are the biggest of all 18 penguin species, standing at around 120cm tall. Diving for food underwater, they can reach depths of over 500m!



Elephant Seal

Males are a lot bigger than the females and have a distinct trunk-like, inflatable nose, which gives it its name.

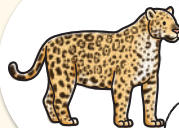
Look and Find



**Hibiscus
Flower**



Classic Car



Jaguar



Pyramids



Oranges



**Little
Mermaid**



Dim Sum



Karate



**Green Sea
Turtle**



Tuk Tuk



Avocado



**African
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