



World Geography

Africa Political Trivia

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Directions: Use the CIA World Factbook and other reputable resources to find answers to the trivia style questions below.

1. This country is home to the Aswan High Dam. One of the wonders of the world can be found at Giza, located in this country.
2. This country, located on the Niger River, has a city mentioned in a Dr. Seuss book by the name of Timbuktu
3. This Country, located off the Gulf of Aden, has very favorable ties with both France and the United States. Is home to the lowest point in Africa at -155meters below sea level.
4. This country is famous for the overthrow of their dictator Colonel Muammar Gaddafi during the Arab Spring.
5. This former British colony is unique in that it has three capitals. One administrative, one legislative and one judicial.
6. This landlocked country has only ever been ruled by the tyrannical dictator Robert Mugabe.
7. Located on the Bight of Biafra. This former French colony is sometimes referred to as "the hinge of Africa."
8. This country was unique in that it was never colonized by a European Power (with the exception of an Occupation by the Italians during World War 2).
9. Located on the western edge of the Sahara Desert, this country's capital is Nouakchott.
10. This small country, located on the Mediterranean Sea was the site of the famous battle of Kasserine Pass during World War II.
11. This country's capital of Algiers is easily relatable to the name of the country itself.
12. A famous 1942 film starring Humphrey Bogart (As Rick Blaine) is theoretically based in this African City located in this country. (Hint: Find the Name of the Movie, the name is a name of a city, then find where the city is)

13. This country, located in Atlantic Ocean, was an important center for the African Slave Trade. This country gained independence from close by Portugal in 1975.
14. This country, located in the Indian Ocean is also the name of a popular Disney children's movie.
15. This country use to be named Zaire.
16. This country is home to the tallest point in Africa at 19,340 feet.
17. This country was the location of the book "Black Hawk Down" by Mark Bowden.
18. In this former British colony, the largest city is Lagos. It has a population of almost 8 million people.
19. The Volta River, Black Volta and White Volta Rivers, as well as Lake Volta are all located in this country.
20. This island country in the Mozambique Channel has endured over 20 attempted coups since it declared independence from France in 1975.
21. This country was ruled by the famous dictator Idi Amin who ruled from 1971-1979.
22. This country was in Civil War from 1991 to 2002. Spurred on by the famous Blood Diamonds this country now maintains peace with the help of the UN organization UNIOSIL.
23. This country was formed by former slaves from the United States in 1822. The capitol here is named after US President James Monroe.
24. This country endured 27 years of Civil War between the MPLA and UNITA. It is estimated that in this period over 1.5 Million people were killed.
25. This small country on the Gambia River is completely surrounded by the country of Senegal.
26. This small country almost completely surrounded by South Africa has the highest rate of HIV/AIDS in the World.
27. This country, formally known as Basutoland, is completely surrounded by South Africa.