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This country is situated in north-eastern Africa between the Mediterranean Sea and the Red Sea. Almost the whole country consists of desert. A pharaoh once ruled there.	<i>Egypt</i>
This large Turkish city is famous for its beautiful mosques. It used to be called Byzantium, then Constantinople.	
Muslims visit this city at least once in their lifetime. The pilgrimage to this holy city is called the ‘Hajj’.	
It is the oldest city in the country. It was founded by the French. The city is a long way from France. Nevertheless, French is spoken there.	
It is the country’s capital. The city is modern. It was built in just a few years in the centre of a country where Portuguese is spoken and which is the fifth-largest country in the world.	
The country lies in the southern hemisphere in the Pacific Ocean. It consists of two large islands. There are many sheep there and unusual birds, such as the kiwi.	
For half the year, it is always night there. The country is not a mainland, but a frozen sea. There are almost no people there, but there are polar bears that hunt seals.	
This large continent is covered by a huge glacier. It is the coldest region on Earth. The South Pole is at its centre. Living there is virtually impossible.	
The island lies in the Pacific Ocean, near the Chilean coast. Many huge statues have been found on this island. Some are almost ten metres tall.	
Central America lies between the Atlantic and the Pacific. To save ships from having to take the long detour round Tierra del Fuego, this canal was built over a hundred years ago.	
The highest mountain in the world is in the Himalayas, between China and Nepal.	
The city is situated in the richest country in Asia. It is the largest city in Asia.	
It is a vast country, situated beyond the Urals and part of Russia. In winter, temperatures can drop to as low as 40 degrees below zero. Everything is frozen. A famous railway crosses the country from west to east. The train journey from Moscow to Vladivostok takes a week.	
The national holiday on 4 July commemorates the day the country gained independence from Britain. It is one of the richest and also one of the largest countries in the world.	
It is the largest city on the smallest continent. The opera house there is shaped like a ship.	
This large, modern Chinese city belonged to Great Britain for a century. In 1997, it became part of China again.	
This extinct volcano is the highest mountain in Africa. The summit is covered in snow.	
A large part of the country is covered by a vast prairie, the Pampas. This is where the gauchos work. On horseback or in off-road vehicles, they roam the Pampas to tend the huge herds of cattle. They live on the estancias, as the farms are called. The country’s capital is Buenos Aires.	
The nomads who live in this vast desert are called the Tuareg. Oases are places where there is water. Only there can people and their animals live.	