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Africa



Read the paragraph for background information. Then use the map to answer the questions.

Did you know? Africa is home to three of the largest rivers on Earth: the Nile, the Congo, and the Niger rivers. The continent's enormous river systems could potentially provide an almost unlimited source of hydroelectric power.

1. Which three capital cities sit on or nearly on the equator?

2. Which two rivers feed into the Nile River?

3. The Congo River crosses the equator in two places. What is special about this river?

4. Which city is at 5°S and 30°E?

5. What is the approximate location in latitude and longitude of the city of Lusaka in Zambia?

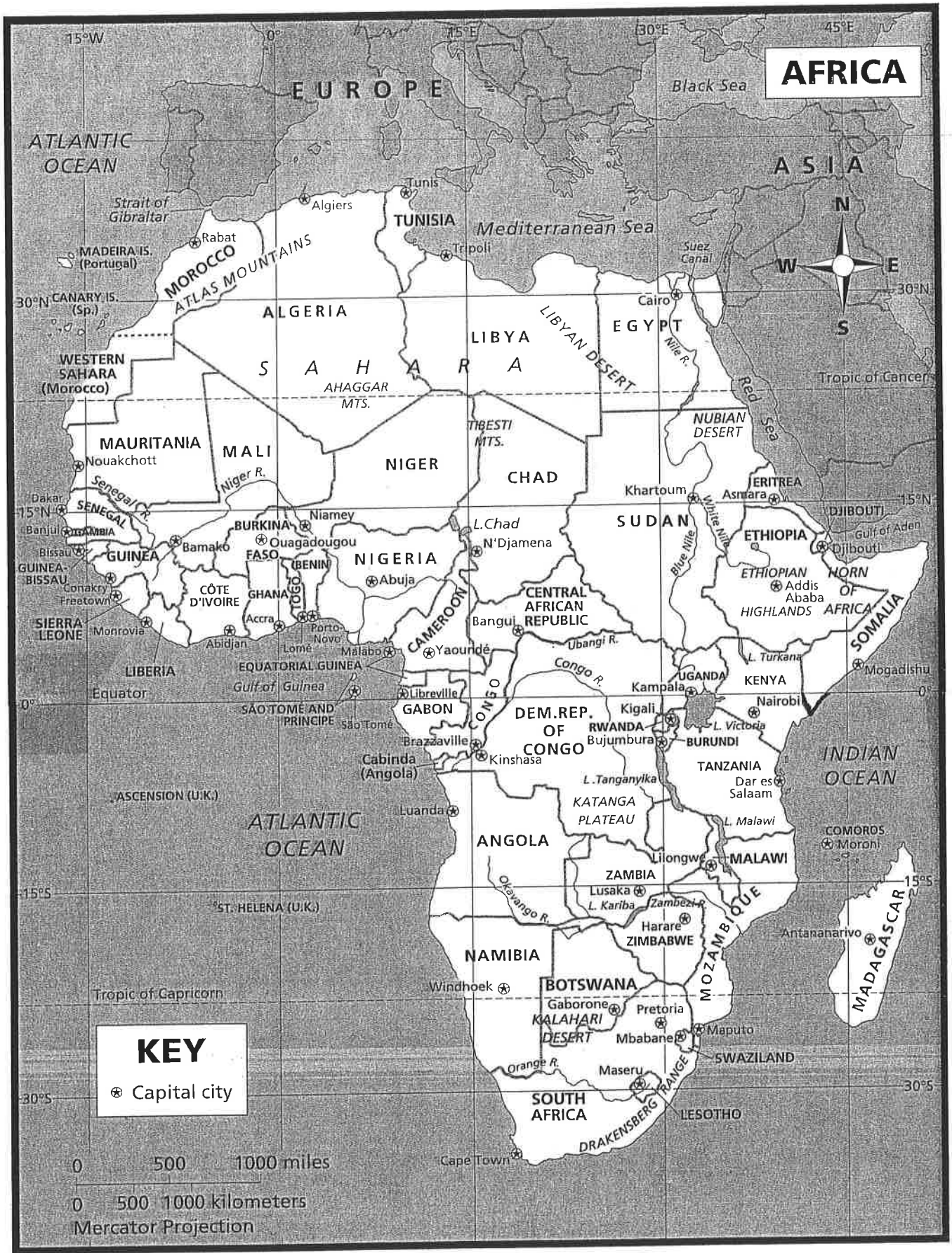
6. Which capital city is directly south of Asmara, Eritrea?

7. If you walked northwest along the coast from Monrovia, Liberia, which other capital cities would you pass on your way to Dakar, Senegal?

8. Which city is probably closer to Gaborone, Botswana: Windhoek, Namibia or Harare, Zimbabwe?

9. Approximately how far is it from Algiers to Tripoli?

10. Name two countries that share the Sahara desert.



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West Africa



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Did you know? Much of West Africa was a French colony in the early part of this century. Senegal, Guinea, Burkina Faso, Cote D'Ivoire, and Mali were French. Consequently, French is the dominant language in these countries. Ghana, Sierra Leone, and Gambia were British territories.

Africa struggles more with health issues compared to the rest of the world. It is the country hardest hit by AIDS, where it continues to take more lives each year. Even so, countries like Senegal provide excellent examples of what can be accomplished in improving the health of its people with effort and education.

- In West Africa, where are most of the capital cities located?
 - in the water
 - along the coast
 - in the desert
 - in the mountains
- Which English-speaking country is between 10°W and 20°W?
 - Guinea
 - Cote D'Ivoire
 - Sierra Leone
 - Burkina Faso
- Which capital city is at approximately 5°N and 0°?
 - Accra, Ghana
 - Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
 - Cotonou, Togo
 - Conakry, Guinea
- What is the approximate distance from Abidjan, Cote D'Ivoire to Sekondi-Takordi, Ghana?
 - ~210 mi or ~320 km
 - ~320 mi or ~210 km
 - ~600 mi or ~600 km
 - ~200 mi or ~300 km
- What is the approximate location in latitude and longitude of Timbuktu, Mali?
 - 3°N, 17°W
 - 17°S, 3°W
 - 20°N, 13°W
 - 17°N, 3°W
- Which city is southwest of Marrakech, Morocco?
 - Casablanca, Morocco
 - Rabat, Morocco
 - Constantine, Algeria
 - Laayoune, Western Sahara

