

Note #2

AFRICA'S GEOGRAPHY



- Africa is the world's _____ largest continent (11,700,000 miles).
- It is home to _____ countries, _____ different languages, and _____ million people.
- 10% of the world's _____ lives in Africa
- All African nations have a reliance on the land's _____ characteristics, which affect where people live, _____, and trade.

African Geography

- Variety of _____ zones from tropical to desert
- Many _____ connect the interior and help the movement of _____ and _____
- Filled with _____ resources: _____, gold, _____, copper, and _____.

Vegetation Zones

- An area characterized by _____, physical _____, and _____ type

Sahara

- Inhospitable environment with _____ temperatures in the day and cold temps at night, _____ hills, stretches of _____, and very little _____ or vegetation
- Over _____ miles and covers _____ of the continent
- Very few people live here because it is considered one of the _____ places to live in the world

Sahel

- Semi-desert, strip of dry _____ that has a little more _____ than the Sahara which allows for the growth of _____ and low _____
- The word "Sahel" means _____ or margin
- Receives between _____ inches of rain a year
- Relatively _____ with few mountains or hills



Savanna

- _____ that have more annual _____ than the Sahel resulting in the growth of tall _____ and _____
- _____ soil and the Niger River allow for _____ and raising _____
- Largest savanna in the world and covers almost _____ of Africa
- Large variety of _____ here including lion, zebra, and elephants

Rain Forest

- An area of towering _____, dense _____, and climbing _____
- Hot, _____, and rainy year-round with thousands of _____ and animals living in the steamy _____
- Trees are so thick and tall that _____ never reaches the forest floor!
- _____ largest rainforest in the world to the _____ in Brazil