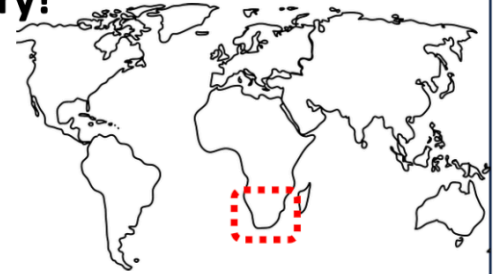


Lesson 1 : General introduction : Discover South Africa

- 1) **Before reading the text**, take a careful **look** at the title, the image, the source and the structure of the text. According to you, what is the text going to be about? What kind of information will I find in it?

Discover South Africa, a big and vibrant country!

1) South Africa is a big country located at the bottom part of the African continent. It has three capital cities: Pretoria, Cape Town and Bloemfontein. Six countries border South Africa: Namibia, Botswana and Zimbabwe in the North, and Mozambique in the East, as well as with Eswatini and Lesotho. South Africa is also bordered by two oceans: the Atlantic Ocean, on the west, and the Indian Ocean, on the east.



(image from <https://pixabay.com>)

2) The cultures and the languages of South Africa are multiple, diverse and dynamic. In South Africa, people speak many different languages, including English, Afrikaans, Zulu, Xhosa, etc. South Africans love music and dance. They also love sports, including rugby, cricket, golf and soccer. South African food is delicious and unique. People in South Africa like eating a "braai", it is a special barbecue where people cook meat outside on a grill. Yum!

3) South Africa has a rich history. One important person from South Africa is Nelson Mandela. He fought for equality and freedom for all people in South Africa. He became the first black president of South Africa. Nelson Mandela died in 2013 but he is still loved and respected all around the world.

4) One of the coolest things about South Africa is its amazing wildlife! You can go on safari and you can visit places called reserves or national parks (including the famous Kruger National Park in the north) to see incredible animals: lions, leopards, rhinoceros, elephants, buffalo, giraffes, etc. South Africa works hard to preserve its wildlife because some species are in danger of extinction, including the black rhinoceros, the cheetah and the African wild dog.

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- 2) Read the text and for each paragraph, underline the words you know and understand.


- 3) Match each paragraph with a title:

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|---------------|------------------------|
| paragraph 1 ▪ | ▪ Animals and nature |
| paragraph 2 ▪ | ▪ Geography |
| paragraph 3 ▪ | ▪ History |
| paragraph 4 ▪ | ▪ Languages and people |

- 4) Focus on paragraph 1: Circle the numbers in paragraph 1 and write what they correspond to:

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- 5) **Focus on paragraph 2: Complete the grid**

In South Africa, people like 	
- hobbies	
- sports	
- food	

6) **Focus on paragraph 3: tick the correct answer and justify your answer with a quote**

- Nelson Mandela is South Africa's president : True False

- He is not really famous outside of South Africa : True False

7) a) **Focus on paragraph 4: Complete the grid**

Activities you can do in South Africa	Places you can visit in South Africa	Animals you can see in South Africa

b) **Tick the correct answer and justify your answer with a quote**

- Wildlife is protected in South Africa : True False

- There are many black rhinoceros in South Africa : True False

8) **Let's recap ! Complete the following documents with what you've learnt**

SOUTH AFRICA

- Continent: _____
- Capital cities :
_____ + _____ + _____
- 1 Official Language :
- Popular sports : _____
- Popular food : _____
- Activities for tourists : _____
- Visits for tourists : _____
- Animals : _____
- A famous president : _____



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