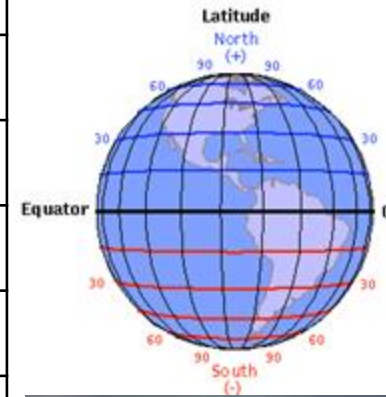


Africa Key Terms



Continent	A continuous expanse of land
Relief	The shape of the land, including height and steepness
Line of Latitude	Imaginary lines that run horizontally across the earth.
Ecosystem	An area where vegetation and animals interact.
Stereotype	A commonly held belief that is not true
Fairtrade	A company that helps poorer countries traded fairly.
Social	Processes that involve people
Economic	Processes that involve economies and/or money
Environmental	Process that involve nature and the physical land
Conflict	A serious disagreement between two groups.
Refugee	Someone is forced to migrate, often due to war
Tourism	The movement of people for more than 24hours for the purpose of business or leisure
Wildlife Trade	The illegal trade of animals between countries



Social



Environmental



Economic

Africa



Victoria Falls is the world's largest waterfall. More water crashes over its cliffs than any other waterfall on earth. Because of this, it is a popular tourist destination.



African Ecosystems

Ecosystems	A geographic area where plants, animals, and other organisms, as well as weather and landscape, work together to form a bubble of life.
Mediterranean	Characterised by cool, wet winters and warm, dry summers
Desert	Barren area of landscape where little precipitation occurs and, consequently, living conditions are hostile for plant and animal life
Savannah and Grassland	A plain characterised by coarse grasses and scattered tree growth, grading into either open plain or woodland
Tropical Rainforest	a tropical woodland with an annual rainfall of at least 100 inches (254 centimeters) and marked by lofty broad-leaved evergreen trees forming a continuous canopy

Fairtrade

Fairtrade	Trade between companies in developed countries and producers in developing countries in which fair prices are paid to the producers.
Why is Fairtrade needed?	Fair trade has lots of benefits. It means workers in LICs will get a fair wage and not have to work unreasonable hours. It also improves equality and reduces conflict.

Important Misconceptions

Africa is a country	FALSE – Africa is a continent
Everyone in Africa is poor	FALSE – Africa is a diverse continent, it has some of the poorest areas in the world, but not everyone is poor.
Africa is one big desert	FALSE – Africa has a huge range of massive ecosystems we call Biomes
Everyone in Africa has disease	FALSE – not everyone is ill with disease in Africa. Many urban areas are like the UK.
There is no water in Africa	FALSE – only 25% of Africa suffer from water shortage
Everybody speaks African	FALSE – there is no such language. There are more than 2,000 languages in Africa
No one ever goes to Africa	FALSE – Africa is becoming a hugely popular tourist destination. Check out the sandy beaches of Zanzibar below.

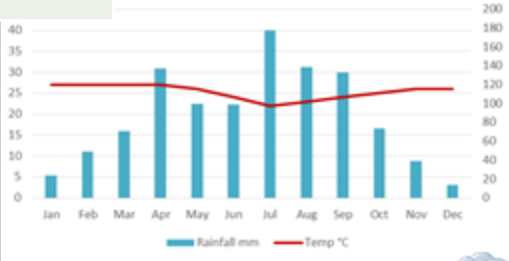
What is development?

Development	An improvement in living standards through better use of resources.
Economic	This is progress in economic growth through levels of industrialisation and use of technology.
Social	This is an improvement in people's standard of living. For example, clean water and electricity.
Environmental	This involves advances in the management and protection of the environment.

Development

Developed	High human development (long life, good education, richer, healthier). We refer to these countries as HICs (High Income Countries)
Emerging	Moderate human development (rising life spans, improving education, growing economy,). We refer to these countries as NEEs (Newly Emerging Economies)
Developing	Low human development (short life expectancy, low education, more poverty, poor quality of life). We refer to these countries as LICs (Low Income Countries)

Ethiopia



Climate Graphs

Temperature	Shown using a line graph, often coloured red and measured in °C
Precipitation	Displayed as a bar chart, often coloured blue and measured in mm

Migration and conflict

Migration	Movement of people from one place to another. Migration happens for a range of economic, social, political or environmental reasons.
Conflict	Conflict means a disagreement between two or more people. In Africa, conflict often means a war within a country, and is the reason most people migrate.
Economic Migration	Someone who emigrates from one region to another, seeking an improved standard of living
Refugee	An individual who has left his or her native country and is unwilling or unable to return to it because of persecution or fear of persecution

