

# Let's Explore



# Aim

- I can draw a simple map.
- I can understand what life is like for people living in Kenya.

# Success Criteria

- I can draw a freehand map of Kenya.
- I can label my map with main cities, oceans, rivers and mountains.
- I can explain 3 things I have found out about Kenyan life.
- I can research my own facts to show what I know about Kenya.

# Key Words



map



key



label



Africa  
(continent)



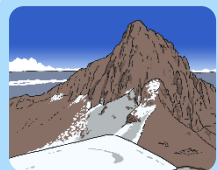
Kenya



Nairobi  
(capital city)



River Tana



Mount  
Kenya



tourists



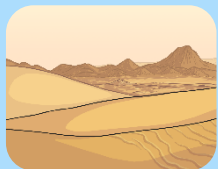
population



equator



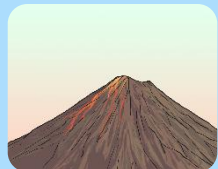
drought



deserts



culture



volcano



Swahili



National  
Park



savannah

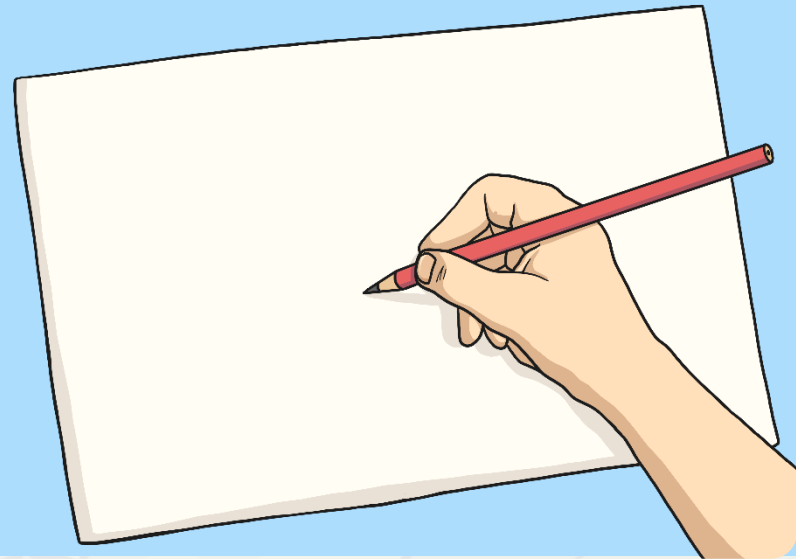
# Map from Memory

Think about the map of Kenya.

Close your eyes and picture what the shape of the country looks like.

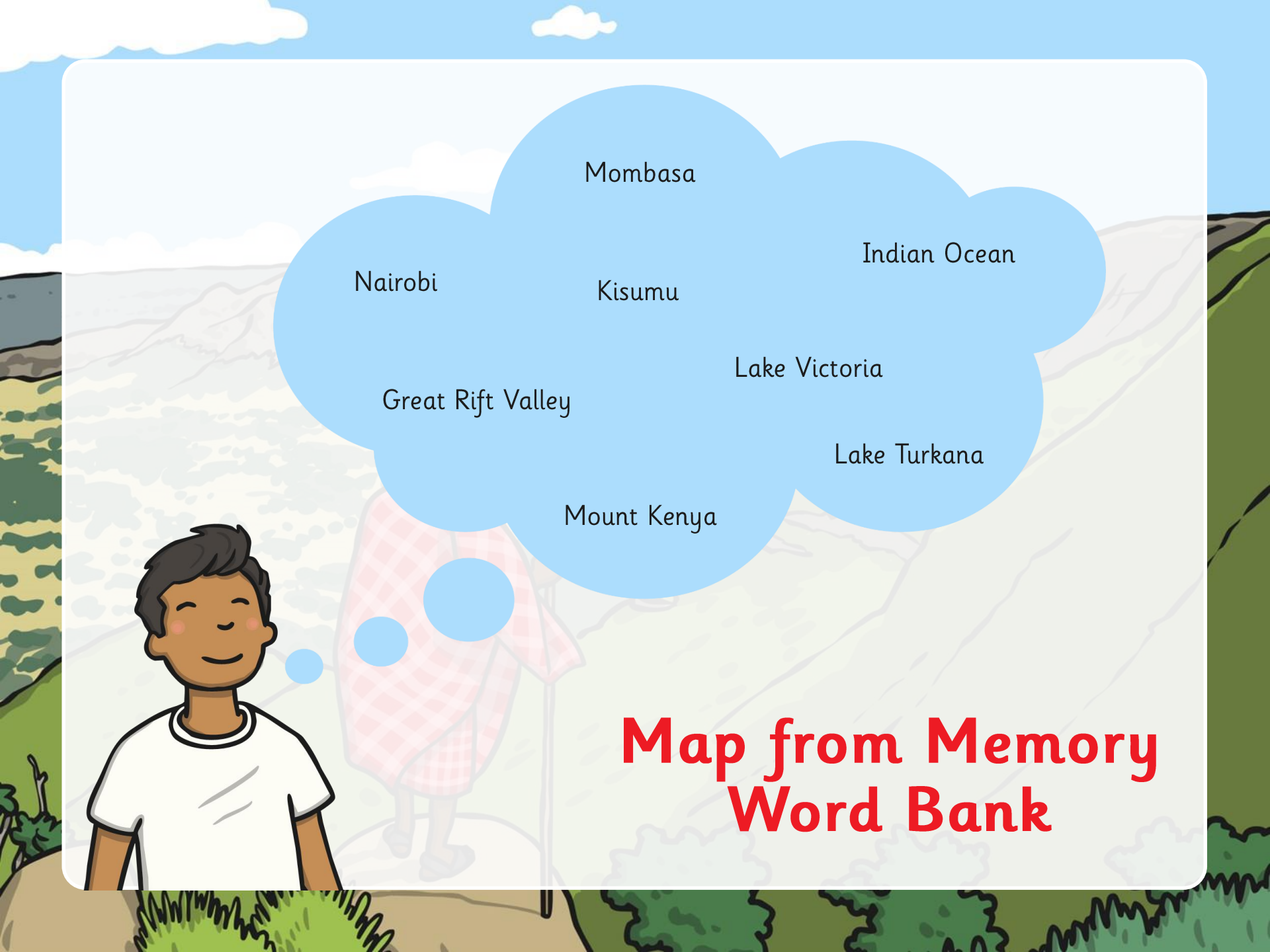
'Air draw' the map with your finger.

Draw a freehand map of Kenya from memory.



Challenge:

- Can you label any cities, rivers, oceans or countries which border Kenya using the word bank to help you?
- Change maps with your partner. How are they different? How are they similar?



Mombasa

Nairobi

Kisumu

Indian Ocean

Great Rift Valley

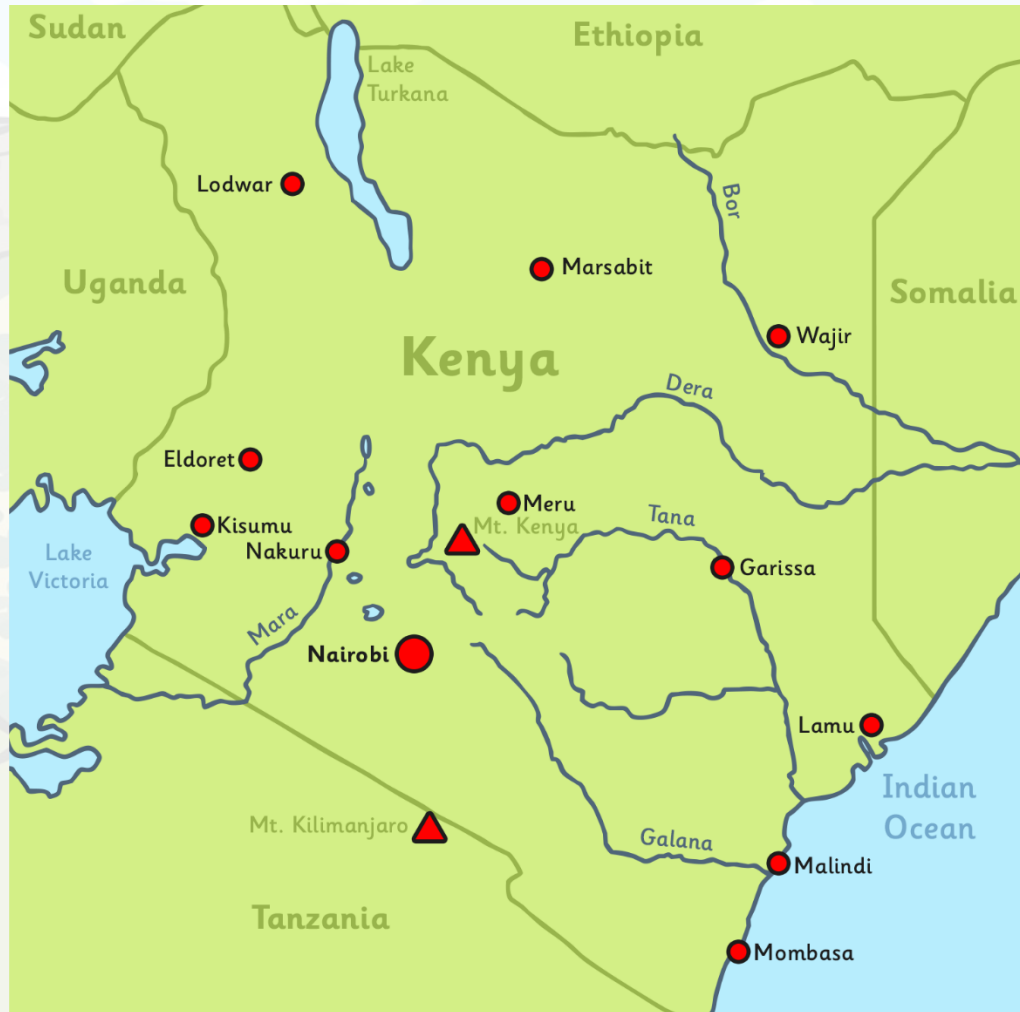
Lake Victoria

Lake Turkana

Mount Kenya

# Map from Memory Word Bank

# Map from Memory



# Exploring Kenya

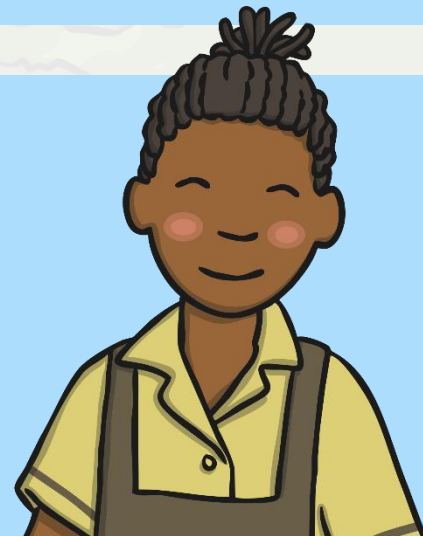
Watch this short video about Kenya.



What can we find out about Kenya?

Write or draw 3 facts about Kenya on a mini-whiteboard or in your book.

- What is the weather like in Kenya?
- Why is the weather like this?
- What do we know about the weather in the UK?
- What special foods are eaten in Kenya?
- What is school like in Kenya?
- How might going to school in Kenya be different or similar to going to school in the UK?



# Exploring Kenya

The capital city is Nairobi. Mombasa is the largest city in Kenya.

Kenya's population is around 44 million!



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## Weather and Climate

Kenya lies on the Equator, which means the climate is hot, sunny and dry for most of the year.



Mount Kenya is high enough to have snow all year round. It is very cold in the mountains. In the highlands it is cool.



In the north it is hot and dry with arid deserts. In the west it is hot and humid and the rainfall can be highest here. If there is no rainfall for a long time, droughts can occur.



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## Culture

More than 60 languages are spoken in Kenya! The official languages of Kenya are Swahili and English.



Music and storytelling are very important in Kenya.



There are many different types of food in Kenya such as cassava, ugali and Kenyan stew. Maize and other cereals are the staple grains.



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## Rivers and Mountains

The Tana river is the longest river in Kenya.



Mount Kenya is the highest mountain in Kenya, and the country itself was named after the mountain!



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## The Great Rift Valley

The Great Rift Valley is an enormous valley of mountains which runs from the north to south of Kenya. The valley has a chain of volcanoes which are still 'active' (alive).

Lake Victoria, the second largest lake in the world, is part of the Great Rift Valley.



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## Going to School

Not all Kenyan children go to school. Many children are too busy helping their families by working on the land, farming, cooking or fetching water.

Some children may have over an hour's walk to school.  
Some children may be different ages but in the same year group.  
Some schools have very few resources.

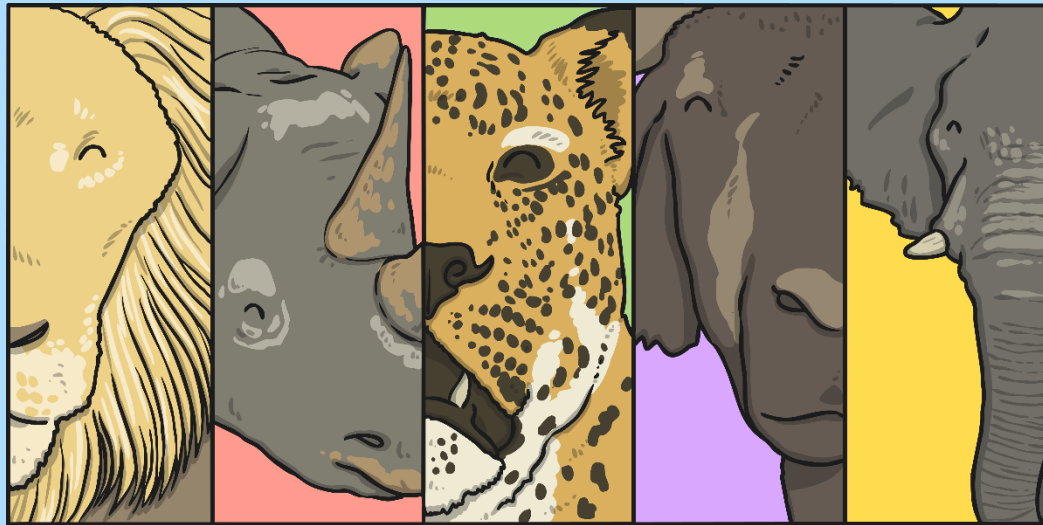


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## Animals

Kenya has many different species of animals. Millions of people visit Kenya each year to see the huge savannah and the animals that inhabit it such as elephants, lions, cheetahs, meerkats and zebras.

The 'big five' animals in Africa are the African lion, white/black rhinoceros, African leopard, Cape buffalo, and the African elephant.



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## National Parks

Kenya has over 50 nature reserves and national parks to protect these animals. The Maasai Mara reserve is the most popular.



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# Google It!

Use Google Maps to explore Kenya in more detail.



What places can you find?

What do you think of them?

What oceans, seas, mountains, rivers or landmarks can you find?

Can you use Google Street View?

What is happening in the photographs?