



FUN FACT

Africa

Africa has the world's longest river, the Nile. It has 2 sources: the White Nile's source is Lake Victoria and the Blue Nile starts its journey to the Mediterranean Sea in Lake Tana, Ethiopia. It also has the largest hot desert in the world, the Sahara in Northern Africa. The camel is most commonly used to cross the desert as it is clever enough to travel long distances without needing to stop to drink water. There are not many sources of water in the desert. Camels are highly prized animals and can be used as currency instead of money. Camels are called 'The ships of the desert.'

Africa also has the largest land mammals in the world, the African elephant and the giraffe. And it has the world's fastest mammal, the cheetah. It was the home of the world's richest man, Mansa Musa or Musa I of Mali. He was even richer than the founders of Amazon, Apple, Microsoft or Facebooks. He died in 1337.

It also has almost 2,000 local languages. Many Africans can also speak English, French, Portuguese and Arabic.

Did you know we all come from Africa? The very first humans originated in Africa and gradually walked to every part of the globe. They were clearly very good at walking long distances. This was easier long ago as all the continents were joined together and were not then separated by oceans and seas

