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ACTIVITY REGIONAL FOCUS (THE EAST AFRICAN REGION)

TEACHER RESOURCE SHEET

Eastern Africa includes sixteen countries (listed below):

Burundi, Comoros, Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Mauritius, Madagascar, Mayotte, Reunion Rwanda, South Sudan, Sudan, Somalia, Tanzania and Uganda

Wildlife:

Some parts of East Africa have been renowned for their concentrations of wild animals, such as the "big five" of elephant, buffalo, lion, leopard and black rhinoceros, though populations have been declining under increased stress in recent times, particularly the rhino and elephant.

Geography:

The geography of East Africa is often stunning and scenic. Shaped by global plate tectonic forces that have created the Great Rift Valley, East Africa is the site of Mount Kilimanjaro and Mount Kenya, the two tallest peaks in Africa. It also includes the world's second largest freshwater lake, Lake Victoria, and the world's second deepest lake, Lake Tanganyika.

Language:

English and French are widely spoken to some extent. Swahili is the most common language in East Africa