

# Continent



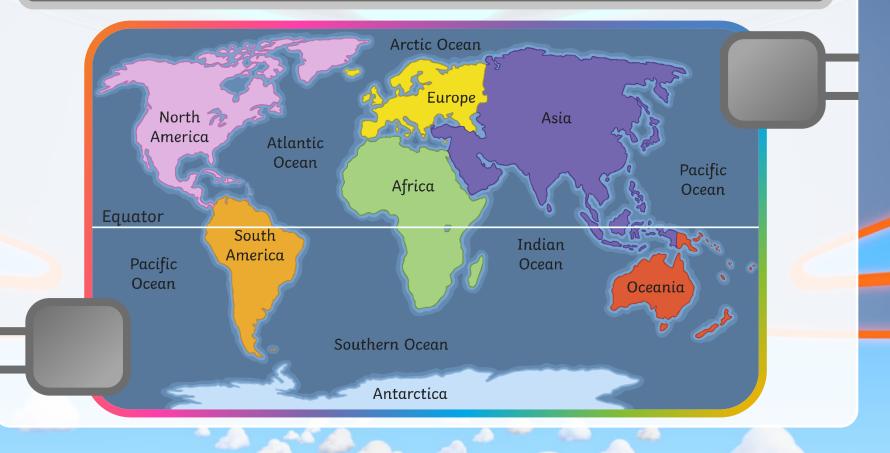


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#### What Is a Continent?

Here are the seven continents of Planet Earth. A continent is a massive piece of land that is often separated from other areas of land by water or another feature such as mountains.







Today, we are going to be learning about the continent of **Asia**.



#### **Funky Fact 3:**

Asia is separated from the continent of Europe by a land border and edged by three oceans: the Indian Ocean to the south, the Pacific Ocean to the east and the Arctic Ocean to the north.



#### **Funky Fact 2:**

Asia is made up of 48 countries. Some of these countries include China, India, Thailand, Vietnam and Malaysia.

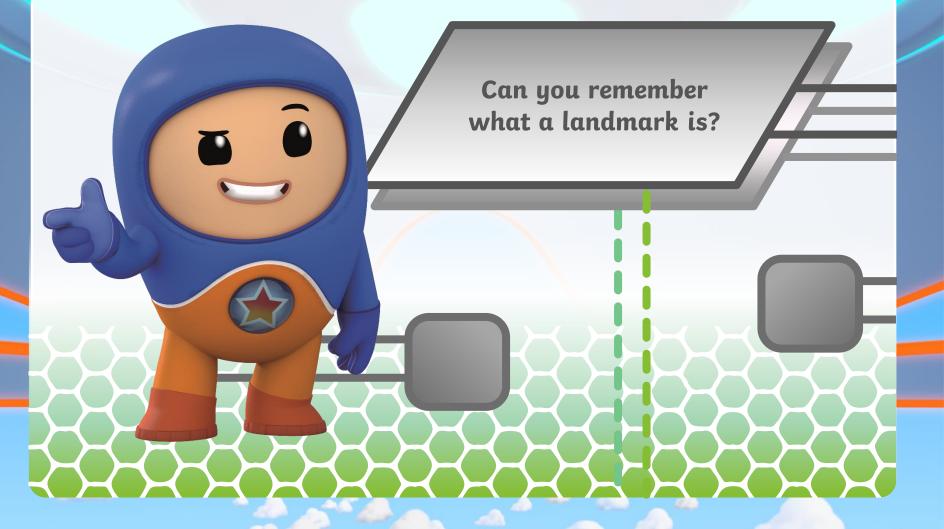


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**Funky Fact 1:** The highest peak in Asia is Mount Everest.



Did you know that the Tibetan name for Mount Everest is **Chomolungma**?



A landmark is something that stands out in an area. It could be a building, a bridge, a lake or river, a sculpture or something else. These places might be special because of their age or their size. A landmark makes a place recognisable. This means you could look at a picture of a landmark and know straight away where it is.

Do you recognise any of these **famous landmarks** from around the world?

#### The Eiffel Tower, France



#### Sydney Opera House, Australia





#### Tower Bridge, UK

#### The Great Wall of China

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Now, let's explore the continent of **Asia**! This is the Great Wall of China, which is in China.

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Here is Ubercorn with some funky facts.

## Burj Khalifa, Dubai

I love a tall building and Burj Khalifa is the tallest man-made structure in the world! It is 828 metres tall. It is also known as **the Jewel of Dubai**.

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#### Petra, Jordan

Petra is in Jordan. It is carved into rock. <u>Here is Ubercorn to tell us more about it.</u>

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## Ha Long Bay, Vietnam

Look at Ha Long Bay in Vietnam. It is a beautiful bay with many islands and cliffs made from limestone and covered in different types of plants. The wind and waves have made these unusual looking islands over many years. **Souvenir selfie!** 

#### Hagia Sophia Museum, Turkey

The Hagia Sophia Museum was originally built as a church, then it became a mosque and now it is a museum. When it was first built, the church was the biggest in the world for over a thousand years and it took 11 thousand people to build it!

#### The Taj Mahal, India

The Taj Mahal is made of white marble and was built in memory of the Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan's wife. It took 16 years to build and is over 300 years old! **What a building!** 

#### **Dead Sea**

The Dead Sea is actually a lake in Asia. Let's find out more from Ubercorn's top three funky facts.

#### Osaka Castle, Japan

In 1583, the beautiful Osaka Castle was built where a special temple had once been, but it burnt down during a war 16 years later. It was rebuilt but it has been struck by lightning and burnt down again since then!

## Turtle Rock, Mongolia

Turtle Rock in Mongolia is also known as Melkhi Khad. It is formed from granite and is 24 metres high. That's almost the same height of 6 double decker buses! It is called Turtle Rock because its shape reminds people of a turtle. **Awesome!** 

## The Banaue Rice Terraces were created by people, by hand, over 2000 years ago. They were made so that rice could be grown on them and the people could sell the rice to passing traders.

**Banaue Rice Terraces, Philippines** 

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#### What Can You Remember?

Look at these pictures. Can you remember three funky facts about these places in Asia?









