

Expedition Earth
Lesson Plans
Answer Key to Quizzes

Quiz 1 - Answers

1. Just 3% of Algeria's land is available for farming.
2. The crescent and star on Algeria's flag are Islamic symbols, and the crescent is thought to bring happiness.
3. Name the capital of each country.

Algeria - Algiers

Angola - Luanda

Benin - Porto-Novo

Botswana - Gaborone

Circle the countries that border the Atlantic Ocean.

Angola

Benin

4. The three largest ethnic groups in Benin are the Fon, Adja, and Yoruba.
5. The music traditionally enjoyed in Botswana is vocal, sometimes accompanied by stringed instruments.
6. The words Burkina Faso mean Land of Honest People.
7. The emperor of the Mossi people is called Mogho Naaba.

Quiz 2 - Answers

1. (a) The Belgian colony partially made up by Burundi during the early twentieth century was Ruanda-Urundi.

(b) Rwanda was also part of this colony.

2. Name the capital of each country.

Burundi - Bujumbura

Cameroon - Yaoundé

Cape Verde - Praia

Central African Republic - Bangui

Chad - N'Djamena

Comoros - Moroni

Congo - Brazzaville

3. The Ubangi and Chari Rivers gave the Central African Republic its name as a French colony.

4. Lake Chad has shrunk by 95% due to overuse.

5. Three crops that are grown on the Comoros Islands are (answers will vary but may include any three of the following) coconuts, vanilla, coffee, ylang-ylang, and cocoa beans.

6. Most Congolese people live in the cities of Brazzaville and Pointe-Noire.

Quiz 3 - Answers

1. The Democratic Republic of the Congo was formerly called Zaire.
2. Djibouti's Lac Assal is the lowest elevation on the African continent.
3. Ethiopia was once known as Abyssinia.
4. Greek Ptolemaic kings harvested war elephants from Eritrea.
5. Cheops is the pharaoh who is believed to have been buried in Egypt's largest pyramid.
6. The nomadic Afar people live in Djibouti.
7. The Ethiopian Ge'ez is the calendar used in Ethiopia.
8. Aswan is in southern Egypt.
9. Equatorial Guinea's mainland region is called Rio Muni.
10. Name the capital of each country.

Democratic Republic of the Congo - Kinshasa

Djibouti - Djibouti

Egypt - Cairo

Equatorial Guinea - Malabo

Eritrea - Asmara

Ethiopia – Addis Ababa

Quiz 4 - Answers

1. A competition for the best dancer is held during the Festival of Masks.
2. Lake Volta is the largest man-made lake in the world.
3. About 85% of Gabon is rainforest.
4. Senegal surrounds Gambia.
5. Name at least two natural resources or crops found in each country.

(Answers will vary but may include any of the following.)

Gabon – petroleum, timber manganese, iron ore

Ghana – cocoa, timber, rubber, diamonds, gold

Guinea-Bissau – cashews, peanuts, fish

Guinea – diamonds, gold, iron ore, bauxite

Ivory Coast – coffee, cocoa

6. Name the capital of each country.

Gabon - Libreville

Gambia - Banjul

Ghana - Accra

Guinea - Conakry

Guinea-Bissau - Bissau

Ivory Coast - Yamoussoukro

Quiz 5 - Answers

1. Robert Drury was held captive on Madagascar.
2. People in Ghadames stay cool by building homes with thick mud and lime walls and traveling between buildings in covered walkways.
3. Liberia's capital get its name from American president James Monroe.*
4. Over 90% of Libya is covered by desert.
5. The Chewa people of Malawi protect themselves from wild animals by building stockade fences around their villages.
6. In Masai Mara, you may see migrating animals such as elephants, zebra, gazelle, wildebeest, giraffes, cheetahs, hyenas, hippopotamus, crocodiles, ostriches, storks, cranes, and lilac breasted rollers.
7. Name the capital of each country.

Kenya - Nairobi

Lesotho - Maseru

Liberia - Monrovia

Libya - Tripoli

Madagascar - Antananarivo

Malawi – Lilongwe

* This president is incorrectly identified as John Monroe in *Expedition Earth*.

Quiz 6 - Answers

1. Mozambique's Gaza Empire was founded by General Soshangane of the Zulu Army.
2. Both Morocco and the Polisario Front claim Western Sahara.
3. The Moroccan-American Treaty of Friendship began because Morocco was the first country to publicly recognize the United States as an independent nation.
4. The first people to live on Mauritius were Dutch colonists.
5. Name at least two natural resources or crops from each country.

(Answers will vary but may include any of the following.)

Mali – cotton, gold

Mauritania – iron, copper, gold, fish

Morocco – oranges, lemons, olives

Mozambique – coal, titanium, aluminum, graphite

6. Name the capital of each country.

Mali - Bamako

Mauritania – Nouakchott

Mauritius – Port Louis

Morocco - Rabat

Mozambique - Maputo

Quiz 7 - Answers

1. Intore dancers of Rwanda can jump as high as 13 feet in the air.
2. The first Nok sculpture was discovered in 1928 in the village of Nok at a mining operation.
3. Africa's most populated country is Nigeria.
4. *Purdah* is an Islamic belief that secludes women from people outside their close families.
5. Name at least two natural resources or crops from each country.
(Answers will vary but may include any of the following.)

Namibia – diamonds, gold, silver

Niger – iron, coal, gold, uranium, millet, potatoes, onions, cowpeas, peppers

Nigeria – petroleum, cocoa, citrus, coconut, sugar cane, yams

Rwanda – coffee, tea, bananas, potatoes, beans

6. Name the capital of each country.

Namibia - Windhoek

Niger - Niamey

Nigeria - Abuja

Rwanda - Kigali

Quiz 8 - Answers

1. (a) Senegal, São Tomé and Príncipe, and Sierra Leone border the Atlantic Ocean.

(b) Seychelles and Somalia border the Indian Ocean.

2. Hospitality is highly prized in Senegal.

3. Sierra Leone means “lion mountain range.”

4. Somalia's coastline is the longest of any African country.

5. Name the capital of each country.

Senegal - Dakar

Sao Tome and Principe – Sao Tome

Seychelles - Victoria

Sierra Leone - Freetown

Somalia - Mogadishu

Quiz 9 - Answers

1. Afrikaans is related to Dutch.
2. Mount Kilimanjaro is Africa's tallest mountain.
3. It is 19,341 feet tall.
4. Zanzibar and Tanganyika make up the country of Tanzania.
5. The first successful heart transplant was performed in South Africa.
6. More than 40 ethnic groups live in Togo.
7. Name at least two natural resources or crops that come from each country.

(Answers will vary but may contain any of the following.)

South Africa – diamonds, gold, corn, sugar, fruit, wool

Swaziland – sugar cane, citrus fruits, textile goods, timber

Togo – cocoa, coffee, cotton

Tanzania – gold, diamonds, iron, tin, platinum, coal, Tanzanite gemstones

8. Name the capital of each country.

South Africa - Pretoria

Sudan - Khartoum

Swaziland - Lobamba

Togo - Lome

Tanzania - Dodoma

Quiz 10 - Answers

1. Carthage started out as a colony of Phoenicia.
2. Swahili and Luganda are spoken in Uganda.
3. Zimbabwe has no national currency.
4. The local name for Victoria Falls means Thundering Smoke.
5. Victoria Falls flows over the Zambezi River.
6. Three crops that grow in Tunisia are (answers will vary but may include any of the following) tomatoes, olives, almonds, figs, citrus fruits.
7. Name the capital of each country.

Tunisia - Tunis

Uganda - Kampala

Zambia - Lusaka

Zimbabwe - Harare

Quiz 11 - Answers

1. A *stupa* is a large, high-roofed central room in a Buddhist monastery.
2. Afghanistan and Bhutan are landlocked.
3. Cambodia was called French Indochina and then Kampuchea between 1863 and 1989.
4. Brunei is located on the island of Borneo.
5. Mountain climbing is outlawed in Bhutan.
6. East Pakistan was Bangladesh.
7. Name the capital of each country.

Afghanistan - Kabul

Bahrain - Manama

Brunei – Bandar Seri Begawan

Bangladesh - Dhaka

Bhutan - Thimphu

Cambodia – Phnom Penh

Quiz 12 - Answers

1. The Taj Mahal was built as a tomb for Emperor Shah Jahan's wife.
2. A *dalang* is the puppet master in a *wayang kulit* performance.
3. China and India have more than one billion people.
4. Saladin was an Islamic military leader who fought the Christian Crusaders in the twelfth century.
5. Three spices or crops that come from Indonesia are (answers will vary but may include any of the following) rice, coffee, tea, black pepper, nutmeg, mace.
6. Cyrus the Great and Darius the Great were two kings of the Medes and Persians.
7. Name the capital of each country.

China - Beijing

India – New Delhi

Indonesia - Jakarta

Iran - Tehran

Iraq - Baghdad

Quiz 13 - Answers

1. Almost 7,000 islands make up Japan.
2. Israel became a nation in 1948.
3. *Kyu-kuu* means “kiss the girl” and is a game where a young man and young woman compete to see who is the fastest rider.
4. Japanese people call their country Nippon and Nihon.
5. Three of Kazakhstan's natural resources are (answers will vary but may include any of the following) wool, leather, wheat, petroleum, natural gas, copper, lead, diamonds.
6. Name the capital of each country.

Israel - Jerusalem

Japan - Tokyo

Jordan - Amman

Kazakhstan - Astana

Quiz 14 - Answers

1. The highest elevation of the Maldives is 8 feet.
2. The cedar tree has been a symbol of Lebanon for centuries.
3. Thousands of types of rice are grown in Laos.
4. Competitions in archery, wrestling, and horse racing through open country are held during Naadam.
5. A *dewaniya* is a Kuwaiti gathering open only to men where they play cards or discuss business or politics.
6. *Jalur Gemilang* is the name of the Malaysian flag and means Stripes of Glory.
7. Two of the themes for past Hari Merdeka celebrations are (answers will vary but may include any of the following) Love and Unity, Culture is the Core of Unity, Honesty Brings Success, Together Towards Vision, and Our Country, Our Responsibility.
8. Name the capital of each country.

Kuwait – Kuwait City

Kyrgyzstan - Bishkek

Laos - Vientiane

Lebanon - Beirut

Malaysia – Kuala Lumpur

Maldives - Malé

Mongolia - Ulaanbaatar

Quiz 15 - Answers

1. The *Jikji* is the world's oldest surviving book printed with metal moveable type.
2. *Sagarmatha* is the name for Mount Everest in the Nepali language.
3. Myanmar is sometimes called Burma.
4. A *khanjar* is the traditional curved dagger used in Oman.
5. Name at least two natural resources or crops that come from each country.

(Answers will vary but may include any of the following.)

Nepal – tea, rice, clothing, leather items, items made from jute fiber

Oman – copper, limestone, petroleum, natural gas

Qatar – oil, natural gas

6. Name the capital of each country.

Myanmar - Rangoon

Nepal - Kathmandu

North Korea - Pyongyang

South Korea - Seoul

Oman - Muscat

Qatar - Doha

Quiz 16 - Answers

1. The crescent on Singapore's flag represents a waxing moon to symbolize Singapore as a young, growing nation.
2. About 75% of Russia lies within Asia.
3. More than 7,000 islands are in the Philippines.
4. Sri Lanka means Venerable Island in Sanskrit.
5. Islam began in Saudi Arabia.
6. Lake Baikal is the world's deepest lake.
7. Name the capital of each country.

Pakistan - Islamabad

Philippines - Manila

Russia - Moscow

Saudi Arabia - Riyadh

Singapore - Singapore

Sri Lanka – Sri Jayawardenapura-Kotte

Quiz 17 - Answers

1. The Bosphorus and Dardanelles make up the Turkish Straits.
2. The people of Timor-Leste say their island was created from the body of a giant crocodile.
3. Tajikistanis eat their meals on a carpet on the floor.
4. Taiwan's government was established by the Kuomintang.
5. Damascus is in south-western Syria.
6. Name the capital of each country.

Syria - Damascus

Taiwan - Taipei

Tajikistan - Dushanbe

Timor-Leste - Dili

Thailand - Bangkok

Turkey - Ankara

Quiz 18 - Answers

1. A *telpék* is the traditional shaggy hat worn by Turkmen men.
2. Yemen's islands lie in the Arabian and Red Seas.
3. The Dong Son created drums that were six feet tall.
4. Name at least two natural resources or crops that come from each country.

(Answer will vary but may include any of the following.)

Turkmenistan – natural gas, cotton

Uzbekistan (list 1) cotton

Yemen – sorghum, cotton, mangoes, barley, wheat

Vietnam – cashews, black pepper

5. Name the capital of each country.

Turkmenistan - Ashgabat

United Arab Emirates – Abu Dhabi

Uzbekistan - Tashkent

Yemen - Sana'a

Vietnam - Hanoi

Quiz 19 - Answers

1. Azerbaijan's government was the first successful democratic nation in the Islamic world.
2. France and Spain border Andorra.
3. Albania is called Shqipëri by its natives.
4. Belarus manufactures tractors and heavy machinery.
5. The assassination of Austria's Archduke Franz Ferdinand led to the start of World War I.
6. Hayk is said to be the founder of Armenia.
7. Name the capital of each country.

Albania - Tirana

Andorra – Andorra la Vella

Armenia - Yerevan

Austria - Vienna

Azerbaijan - Baku

Belarus - Minsk

Quiz 20 - Answers

1. Most of the world's diamonds are processed in Belgium.
2. The Roman Emperor Diocletian was born in Croatia.
3. The Cyrillic alphabet was developed in Bulgaria.
4. On the Cypriot flag, the olive branches and white color represent peace.
5. The Danish flag has been in use since 1370, making it the oldest, continuously-used flag on earth.
6. Cesko is the Czech Republic.
7. Name the capital of each country.

Belgium - Brussels

Bosnia and Herzegovina - Sarajevo

Bulgaria - Sofia

Croatia - Zagreb

Cyprus - Nicosia

Czech Republic - Prague

Denmark - Copenhagen

Quiz 21 - Answers

1. The Eiffel Tower was built for the 1889 World's Fair.
2. The Berlin Wall was torn down in 1989.
3. Napoleon became the leader of France after the French Revolution.
4. The Sami live in northern Finland, Sweden, Norway, and Russia' Kola Peninsula.
5. *Sarkatvelo* is the country of Georgia.
6. About 86% of Finland's land is forested.
7. The name of Estonia's flag is Sinmustvalge, and it means blue-black-white.
8. Name the capital of each country.

Estonia - Tallinn

Finland - Helsinki

France - Paris

Georgia - Tbilisi

Germany - Berlin

Quiz 22 - Answers

1. The Statue of Zeus and Colossus of Rhodes were located in Greece.
2. The first Icelanders came from Norway.
3. Lake Heviz is Europe's largest thermal lake.
4. People think they will receive the gift of clever speech and persuasive flattery if they kiss the Blarney Stone.
5. The Catholic Pope lives in the Apostolic Palace.
6. A potato blight caused Ireland's Great Famine?
7. Two artists or authors from Italy are (answers will vary but may include any of the following) Michelangelo, Leonardo da Vinci, Pliny the Elder, Pliny the Younger, Virgil, Ovid, Dante, Niccolo Machiavelli.
8. Name the capital of each country.

Greece - Athens

Hungary - Budapest

Iceland - Reykjavik

Ireland - Dublin

Italy - Rome

Vatican City has no capital.

Quiz 23 - Answers

1. Liechtenstein is Europe's doubly landlocked country.
2. Mindaugas was Lithuania's only king.
3. Alexander the Great was king of Macedonia during ancient times.
4. Bogdan I founded the Principality of Moldavia.
5. The apple tree represents being an orphan to the Latvians.
6. Kosovo declared its independence from Serbia.
7. In Malta, the Apostle Paul was shipwrecked and bitten by a venomous snake but not hurt.
8. Name the capital of each country.

Kosovo - Pristina

Latvia - Riga

Liechtenstein - Vaduz

Lithuania - Vilnius

Luxembourg - Luxembourg

Macedonia - Skopjes

Malta - Valletta

Moldova - Chisinau

Quiz 24 - Answers

1. Poland's money is called golden.
2. William of Orange led the Dutch revolt against Spain in the sixteenth century.
3. The Grimaldi family first gained control of Monaco in 1297 when Francesco Grimaldi disguised himself as a monk, hid a sword under his robes, and took control of the castle on the Rock of Monaco.
4. Norsemen settled in (answers will vary but may include the following) Iceland, Greenland, and Vinland in North America.
5. A gusle is a single-stringed instrument traditionally played in Montenegro.
6. Name the capital of each country.

Monaco - Monaco

Montenegro - Podgorica

Netherlands - Amsterdam

Norway - Oslo

Poland - Warsaw

Quiz 25 - Answers

1. The ancient kingdoms of Aragon, Castile, Leon, and Navarre were the foundation of modern Spain.
2. Europe's oldest nation is Portugal.
3. Juraj Janosik was Slovakia's Robin Hood counterpart.
4. Transylvania is in Romania.
5. Skiing sports are popular in Slovenia.
6. Serbia's Sirmium was the capital of the Roman Empire during the third century.
7. Marinus the Stonemason founded San Marino.
8. Name the capital of each country.

Portugal - Lisbon

Romania - Bucharest

San Marino – City of San Marino

Serbia - Belgrade

Slovakia - Bratislava

Slovenia - Ljubljana

Spain - Madrid

Quiz 26 - Answers

1. *Beowulf* gives the only known information of the Swedish-Geatish war.
2. The Alps and the Jura Mountains are found in Switzerland.
3. The ancient empires of Greece, Rome, and Byzantium had colonies in Ukraine.
4. Union Jack is the name of the United Kingdom's flag
5. Name the capital of each country.

Sweden - Stockholm

Switzerland - Bern

Ukraine - Kiev

United Kingdom - London

Quiz 27 - Answers

1. Antigua and Barbuda mean “ancient” and “bearded” in Spanish.
2. Cuba gained independence in 1902.
3. The only recorded rain-snow mix in Bahamian history occurred in 1977.
4. The Kriols of Belize are descended from English-Scottish Buccaneers and African Slaves.
5. Canada means “village” in Iroquois.
6. Costa Rica has a dry summer and a rainy winter.
7. Name the capital of each country.

Antigua and Barbuda – Saint John's

Barbados - Bridgetown

Belize - Belmopan

Canada - Ottawa

Costa Rica – San Jose

Cuba - Havana

Quiz 28 - Answers

1. Dominica was discovered on a Sunday.
2. The first permanent English settlement was at Santo Domingo.
3. The Salvadoran Civil War lasted for 13 years, from 1979-1992.
4. English, French Patois, and Grenadian Creole are spoken in Grenada.
5. The Guatemalan Civil War lasted for 36 years, from 1960-1996.
6. Name the capital of each country.

Dominica - Roseau

Dominican Republic – Santo Domingo

El Salvador – San Salvador

Grenada – Saint George's

Guatemala – Guatemala City

Quiz 29 - Answers

1. Haiti means Land of the High Mountains in the native Taino language.
2. The rain of fish began in 1860.
3. The Jamaican bobsled team made its debut in the Winter Olympics of 1988.
4. Mexico gained full independence in 1821.
5. (a) Nicaragua elected the first female president in all of North and South America.
(b) She was elected in 1990.
6. Name the capital of each country.

Haiti - Port-au-Prince

Honduras - Tegucigalpa

Jamaica - Kingston

Mexico – Mexico City

Nicaragua - Managua

Quiz 30 - Answers

1. People say the shape of Saint Kitts and Nevis resembles a baseball bat and ball.
2. About 600 islands make up the Grenadines.
3. The Great American Melting Pot is the diverse mix of people from different nationalities and cultures that make up America's population.
4. Ships save about 6,000 miles by going through the Panama Canal.
5. Name the capital of each country.

Panama – Panama City

Saint Kitts and Nevis - Basseterre

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines - Kingstown

Trinidad and Tobago – Port of Spain

United States of America – Washington, D.C.

Quiz 31 - Answers

1. True

2. A piece of stone money in the Federated States of Micronesia can be up to 12 feet across.

3. Kiribati exists in all four of the earth's hemispheres.

4. New Zealand's moas were up to 12 feet tall.

5. Name the capital of each country.

Australia - Canberra

Federated States of Micronesia - Palikir

Fiji - Suva

Kiribati - Tarawa

Marshall Islands - Majuro

New Zealand - Wellington

Quiz 32 - Answers

1. Nauru had 12 original tribes.
2. True
3. True
4. Rising sea levels may make Tuvalu uninhabitable in 100 years.
5. Name the capital of each country.

Nauru - Yaren

Palau - Melekeok

Papua New Guinea – Port Moresby

Samoa - Apia

Solomon Islands - Honiara

Tonga - Nuku'alofa

Tuvalu – Funafuti

Vanuatu – Port Vila

Quiz 33 - Answers

1. True
2. Quechua was the official language of the Inca Empire.
3. False
4. False
5. Name the capital of each country.

Argentina – Buenos Aires

Bolivia – La Paz

Brazil - Brasilia

Chile - Santiago

Quiz 34 - Answers

1. Colombia's northern coastline touches the Pacific Ocean and the Caribbean Sea.
2. Ecuador's Chimborazo is estimated to be 7,000 feet further from the center of the earth than Mount Everest.
3. True
4. Paraguay has a third language that mixes elements of Spanish and Guarani called Jopara.
5. Name the capital of each country.
Colombia - Bogota
Ecuador - Quito
Guyana - Georgetown
Paraguay - Asuncion

Quiz 35 - Answers

1. One of Peru's most popular drinks is called chicha morada.
2. Suriname was once controlled by the Netherlands
3. In the Guarani language, Uruguay means River of the Painted Birds.
4. James "Jimmie" Angel was the first person to fly over Angel Falls.
5. Name the capital of each country.

Peru - Lima

Suriname - Paramaribo

Uruguay - Montevideo

Venezuela - Caracas