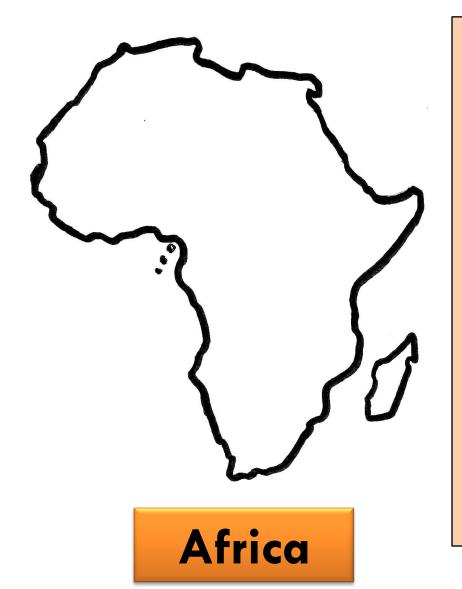
## SWIFT LEARNING BOOK-1

(Part VIII)

## Major Continental Areas of the World

**SWIFT Topic: People & Countries (Countries and Continents)** 

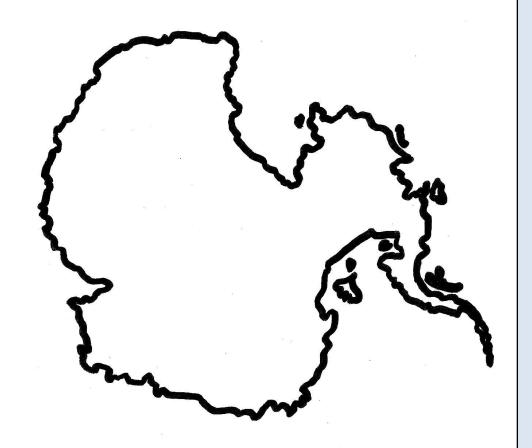


The continent of Africa is made up of about 54 countries or independent states.

There are wild animals, lovely flowers and plants of all types, and natural resources.

The people like to sing, dance, and make music. They work hard and are clever. They are brave and endure hardships.

They like bright colours, too!



**Antarctica** 

The continent of Antarctica is very cold and frozen.
Only few types of animals visit or live there.

Scientist go there for research projects, for limited amounts of time. They have to endure the cold, and go without fresh foods for many months.

When the ocean water thaws, then ships can leave again, and new people can take a turn to visit.



The continent of Asia is made up of about 45 countries or independent states. There you might see some interesting architecture, and eat tasty meals, rice and exotic fruit. The people are hardworking, clever, humble, and colourful. There are many children, and many adults too, in Asia.



**Australia** 

The country of Australia is also one big continent.
Included in the area are the islands big and small—such as New Zealand and the countless Pacific islands.

There are large deserts, huge cattle ranches, busy cities, and friendly people. There are many bush areas, and a very long coast line all around.

There are several types of unique and interesting animals native to Australia.



**Europe** 

The continent of Europe is made up of about 50 countries or independent states.

There you might see some very old buildings, houses and structures, as well as modern cities, and rural country areas.

Storks on chimneys, castles, fountains, canals, shepherds, farm animals, trains, and much more can be seen there.



**North America** 

The continent of North America has about 23 countries. This includes Central America, as well as some islands—such as Greenland, and others.

There is much variety in land and people. You might find vast areas for growing crops; or meet those that live in igloos where trees can't grow.

You may see busy cities; drive on long roads with huge trucks; or perhaps relax and dance to the lively Latin music of happy, Spanish speaking people.



The continent of South America has about a dozen countries.

There are jungle rain forests, rivers, and unexplored areas; big cities with many people; beaches, mountains, farms, and all types of terrain.

Many types of animals-land, air, and water types, can be found there; plenty of bugs, reptiles, and lovely butterflies.

Delicious and varied types of fruit grows, beans, and beautiful flowers and plants.