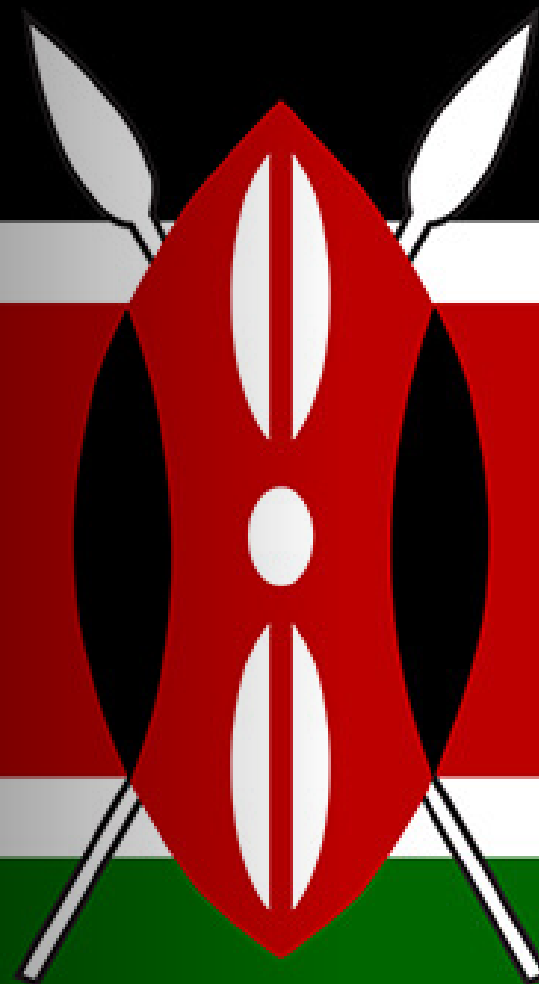




Kenya

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Kenya is located on the east coast of Africa, and coasting the Indian ocean. The country of Kenya is almost twice as big as the size of Nevada. The country alone is 580,367 square kilometers, and it's tallest mountain peak, also the second tallest mountain in Africa is 5,199 miles. The climate is warm and dry all year long, with lots of sunshine. Temperatures can get as hot as 34 degrees, and as cold as 10 degrees (both Celsius). Nairobi, Kenya's capital, has an elevation of 1,795 meters above sea level.



Picture: A look at the city of Nairobi.

KENYA: History

6 MILLION B.C. – The early humans live in Kenya’s Tugen Hills.

500 B.C to 500 AD – c. 900 – Many settlers from different religions come to Kenya.

1890 – The Treaty of Berlin puts all of Kenya and Uganda under British rule.

1895 – The British Government gets IBEAC’s assets, Kenya and Uganda become “British East Africa”.

1939-1945 – In World War II, Britain uses Kenya as a base, and Kenyans fight in the British army.

1944 - The Mau Mau rebellion begins.

1946 - Jomo Kenyatta is chairman of the new KAU (Kenya African Union).

1952 - Kenyatta and others are captured and imprisoned. War goes on Mau Mau.

1956 – Mau Mau ends. First African representatives are in the Legislative Council.

1960 – Kenya African National Union formed.
1978 – Kenyatta dies in office, Daniel Arap Moi becomes president.

2002 – Moi’s 24 year rule stops and Mwai Kibaki is elected president.

2008 – A Unity Government is installed, Kibaki is president.

2021 – Uhuru Kenyatta is the current president.

*Picture: Kenyan
band Sauti Sol.*

KENYA: Culture

Sports- Fun and recreation in Kenya include lots of sports. Though Kenya's soccer team, The Harambee Stars, have little success, soccer is a popular sport in Kenya, along with football and volleyball. Famous athletes such as marathon prodigy Catherine Ndereba came from Kenya.

Music- Music is very diverse in Kenya, with the most popular genres being traditional, religious, afro-fusion and underground, old school, and urban (hip-hop, rap, RnB, trap, house). Notable artists from Kenya consist of singer/songwriter Willy Paul, singer Stella Mwangi, and afro-pop band Sauti Sol.



Picture: A safari Jeep watching lions from a distance.

KENYA: Culture (continued)

Food- Kenya food is a big staple for it's culture. A popular food that Kenya is known for is nyama choma, a roasted meat dish, served with salad and seasoned with salt and pepper. Another popular food is Mandazi, an Africa doughnut, cooked by frying dough in oil.

Education- Schooling in Kenya consists of three levels: Eight years of primary education (begins at 6 years old), four years of secondary, and four years of higher education. It's free for primary and secondary, but costs for higher education. Because of Kenya's economic problems, many kids don't go past primary school. In 2017, Kenya was rated the strongest education in all of Africa.

Safari & Travel- Kenya is home to some of the best safari locations in all of Africa. Many people come to Kenya to see





Picture: Catherine Ndereba running in a marathon.

KENYA: What I Like

There are several things I enjoyed learning about Kenya. Among them are:


- Kenya is home to so many animals, such as zebras and rhinos.
- There are many successful athletes from Kenya, such as the marathon prodigy Catherine Ndereba, and more olympian sprinters.
- It is diverse with artists, athletes, and other well-known professionals including Lupita Nyong'o from *Black Panther*, and prodigies like Wangari Maathai.
- Kenya's food is so diverse and represents their culture, like mandazi and ugali, as well as many other foods and dishes.
- Kenya's history tells a tale that most countries can't. Some of the first humans were living in Kenya's hills. Kenyan slaves fought for their rights.



KENYA: The Essential Question

Why FJH needs students from Kenya is for diversity and for change. Having students from Kenya and from African countries not only help the diversity, but they help other students meet other students from different places, religions, and color. People stereotype Kenyans and Africans by assuming how they speak, but all Kenyans are different. Having Kenyan/African students increase kids' understanding of African people.

Picture: Kenyan girls and boys sitting together at school.



KENYA: Quick Facts

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- Kenya's currency is Kenyan shilling.
 - The average monthly salary for Kenya is \$147,00 KSH, or \$1338.80 in USA money.
 - Kenya made over 1 billion KSH (almost 12 million in USA dollars) on their biggest industry, coffee.
 - Religions: Christian: 85.5%, Muslim: 10.9%, Others/None/No answer: 3.6%

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