



Zimbabwe

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Where is Zimbabwe?

- Zimbabwe is in the southern part of Africa, above South Africa and between Botswana and Mozambique.
- The months when rain is minimal is May-August, months when rain is heavy is November-April.
- The two main waterways are are Zambezi and Limpopo.
- A very common place to visit in Zimbabwe is Victoria Falls.
- There is a mountain that stands at 8,504ft which is called the Nyangani Mountain.



The history of Zimbabwe

- Bantu-speaking people thought to have entered Zimbabwe in the 7th century to have ruined stone artifacts like the Great Zimbabwe.
- In 1980, Zimbabwe gained independence from the United Kingdom from 15 years of control.
- During Robert Mugabe's presidency, Zimbabwe's economic system started to decline.
- 1998, Mugabe decided to intervene with a civil war, causing Zimbabwe to lose millions of dollars
- In 2008 minister, Simba Makoni proclaimed he was running against Mugabe, Makoni soon lost.



Zimbabwe's culture

- Music and dancing are very common and the center of Zimbabwean culture.
- Mbira and marimba are unique instruments used to play with the hands.
- Shona dances are used for enjoyment, entertainment, or rituals.
- There are numerous rituals and ceremonies in Zimbabwe, some of which are practiced in specific tribes.
- It is custom in Zimbabwean culture to be formal and polite, hence why the country is kind and welcoming.



What do I like most about Zimbabwe

- The Victoria Falls waterfall is one of the largest on the world and can be heard 24 miles away.
- The largest man-made lake is Lake Kariba and is located on Zimbabwe.
- More than 90% of the population of Zimbabwe, is educated.
- Zimbabwe does not have their own currency anymore, they will accept any currency from around the world.
- They believe strongly that mermaids are real and blame them for devastating events like murder.



How does Fishers Junior High benefit from having families from this country as a part of our school and community?

- How Fishers Junior High benefits from having families from this country is by their character. It's taught in Zimbabwean culture that politeness and modesty is key. They are taught to respect others and welcome them. Manners are also important and is taught in their culture. Having well-mannered children and shows that FJH is respectful and polite to others and that they welcome anyone with open arms. They also allow/encourage others to express their culture and spread it.

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