



# Knowledge Organiser

## Prime Learning Challenge: Where in the world is Africa?

### Key language



It is \_\_\_\_\_.

In the story I can see a \_\_\_\_\_.

There are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

I have noticed that \_\_\_\_\_.

I think that is \_\_\_\_\_.

I remember \_\_\_\_\_.

### Key facts: Africa

- We have learned about Africa in the past when we looked at the savannah. The savannah is in Africa.
- Africa is a continent; this is an enormous piece of land which has lots of countries in it.
- In Africa, there is a lot of flat land called plains.
- The highest mountain in Africa is called Mount Kilimanjaro.
- Most places in Africa are extremely hot. There are deserts in Africa which are places made up of just sand. Animals have adapted to be able to live there and survive without water for long periods of time.
- Africa has some of the largest animals in the world, including rhinos, elephants and giraffes which are all able to live in difficult areas and have special skills to help them survive.

# Key facts: African animals

## Lion

The lion is the second biggest living cat after the tiger.



Wild lions currently live in Africa and in Asia.

They typically inhabit areas of savannah and grassland.



Two lionesses (female lions).

The most distinctive and well-known characteristic of the species is the mane of the adult male lion.

The lion is an endangered species due to habitat loss and conflict with humans.



A lion cub.

### Did you know?

The lion's closest relatives are the tiger, the jaguar and the leopard.



## Rhinoceros



The rhinoceros, often called rhino, is an animal native to Africa and Southern Asia.

Rhinos are characterised by their large size, often weighing around a tonne or more in weight.

Rhinoceroses have a diet of leaves, buds, shoots and grass.

The rhino is an endangered species.

Rhino populations have declined drastically because it is hunted by humans for its horn.

### Did you know?

Most Rhinos have two horns but there are some species that have only one.

To prevent extinction, many rhinos are now kept in fenced sanctuaries and safari parks.

## GIRAFFE



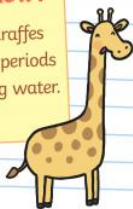
The giraffe is the tallest living mammal that lives on land. It is around 5-6 metres tall.

The giraffe has an extremely long neck which can be up to 2 metres long in fully-grown adults.

Giraffes usually live in savannahs, open woodlands and grasslands.

### Did you know?

Like camels, giraffes can go for long periods without drinking water.



Giraffes use their long necks to eat the leaves at the top of trees where they are more nutritious.



## Zebra



### Did you know?

Zebra stripes come in different patterns, unique to each individual.

Zebras are a species of the horse family, united by their distinctive black and white stripes.

Zebras are social animals that live in herds.

Zebras live in a variety of habitats: grasslands, savannahs, woodlands and mountains.



Zebras are herbivores, which means they only eat plants and grasses and no meat.

