



Culture ...



South Africa

Capital city: Pretoria

Other cities:
Johannesburg,
Cape Town

South Africa: the Rainbow Nation

Everyone is mad about football in Johannesburg. The two big teams are the Kaizer Chiefs and the Orlando Pirates. When your team scores a goal here you must shout 'Laduma!' – it's a Zulu word and it means 'thunder'.

Zulu is one of the 11 official languages in South Africa (English is also an official language). There are lots of different cultures here – that's why it's called the Rainbow Nation. In the past, black people and white people were forced to live separately. But everything is different now, and people are trying to live together in peace.

South Africa is a beautiful country. If you come to visit one day, you must go on safari! At the Kruger National Park you can see the Big Five everywhere (that means lions, rhinos, elephants, leopards and buffalo). You mustn't forget your camera! Surfing is also really popular, and there are some great beaches in Cape Town. If you go there you must visit Table Mountain. You can go up in the cable car if you don't want to hike!



1. In South Africa, the Orlando Pirates are...
 - a) A political party
 - b) A rock band
 - c) A football team
2. How many official languages are there in South Africa?
 - a) One
 - b) Eleven
 - c) Twelve
3. What does the BIG FIVE mean in South Africa?
 - a) The national park
 - b) The five biggest cities
 - c) Five kinds of animals you see on safari
4. Where would you see Table Mountain?
 - a) Johannesburg
 - b) Cape Town
 - c) Pretoria