

Reading Worksheet
SOL5 City Life

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Amazing Facts About Capital Cities

Capital cities are the most important cities in a country. They are often home to governments, famous buildings, and many people. Did you know that some capitals hold amazing world records? Let's look at some interesting facts!

The **coldest** capital city in the world is **Ulaanbaatar**, the capital of Mongolia. In (1)....., the temperature can drop to -40°C! People wear thick coats and (2)..... to stay warm. Despite the cold, many people live in tents around the capital.

On the other hand, the **hottest** capital city in the world is **Kuwait City**, the capital of Kuwait. In summer, the temperature can rise to 50°C. That's as hot as an (3).....! Some people stay indoors with air conditioning to keep cool.

The **highest** capital city **above sea level** is **La Paz**, in Bolivia. It is about 3,650 meters above sea level. Breathing can feel (4)..... there because the air is thin. People sometimes chew coca leaves to help with the altitude.

If you like sunny weather, you should visit **Nairobi**, the capital of Kenya. It is one of the **sunniest** capitals, with over 300 sunny days (5)..... year! It's perfect for outdoor activities like (6)..... or picnics. You don't have to pack an umbrella for your trip, but don't forget the sunscreen at home!

The **most populous** capital city is **Tokyo**, in Japan. Over 37 million people live in the city and its suburbs. That's more people than some (7)..... have! Despite being so busy, Tokyo is also one of the **cleanest** cities because people follow strict rules about littering.

Do you wonder which capital is the **oldest**? It's **Damascus**, in Syria. People have lived there for over 4,000 years. The streets are full of history, with old markets and ancient (8).....

Now, let's talk about one of the **smallest** capitals: **Vatican City**. It is the capital of the Vatican, the smallest country in the world. Only about 800 people (9)..... there. It is also home to the Pope.

There are also capitals known for their beauty. **Paris**, the capital of France, is called the "City of Light" because of its beautiful streets and famous (10)..... like the Eiffel Tower. **Rome**, the capital of Italy, is famous for its ancient ruins like the Colosseum and the Roman Forum. **New York**, "The City That Never Sleeps", the home of the iconic Lady Liberty, is also an attractive destination for tourists with its amazing skyscrapers, lively atmosphere and vibrant nightlife.

Capital cities are full of surprises! Which of these cities would you like to visit? Maybe one day you can travel to see them all!

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live, continents, countries, every, oven, buildings, landmarks, harder, hats, safaris, winter