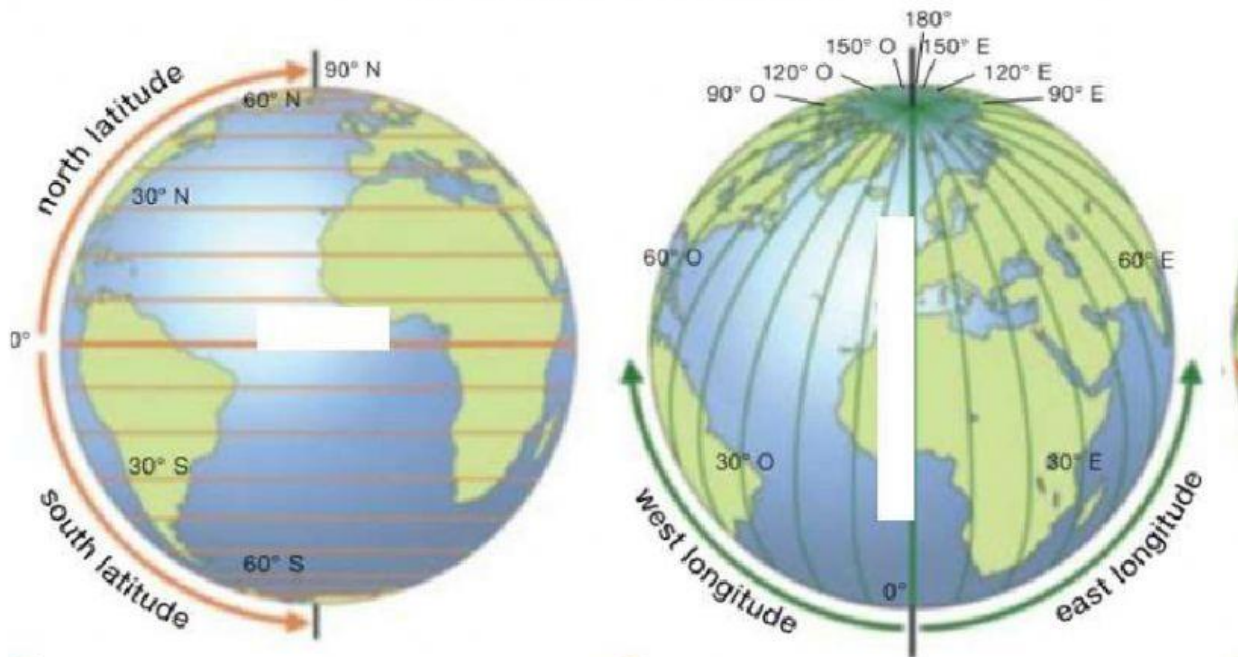


A physical map of Africa and surrounding regions. The map shows the continent's major geographical features, including the Atlas Mountains in the northwest, the Arabian Desert and Arabian Peninsula in the northeast, and the Kalahari Desert in the south. Key rivers like the Nile, Niger, Congo, and Orange are depicted. Major elevation points are marked with black triangles and labeled with their names and heights: Zardkuh (4,457 m), Kenya (5,199 m), and Thabana Ntlenyana (3,482 m). The map also shows the Gulf of Guinea, the Red Sea, and the Indian Ocean. The word 'AFRICA' is written in large, bold, black letters across the center of the continent. The word 'MADAGASCAR' is written in green letters to the east of the continent. The word 'ATLAS MOUNTAINS' is written in black letters along the top left edge. The word 'ARABIAN DESERT' is written in black letters in the northeast. The word 'KALAHARI DESERT' is written in black letters in the south. The word 'Gulf of Guinea' is written in blue letters in the west. The word 'Red Sea' is written in blue letters in the northeast. The word 'Indian Ocean' is written in blue letters in the east. The word 'Nile' is written in blue letters in the northeast. The word 'Niger' is written in blue letters in the west. The word 'Congo' is written in blue letters in the center. The word 'Orange' is written in blue letters in the south. The word 'Ethiopian Highlands' is written in black letters in the east. The word 'Darfur Plateau' is written in black letters in the center. The word 'Arabian Peninsula' is written in red letters in the northeast. The word 'Zardkuh' is written in black letters in the northeast. The word 'Kenya' is written in black letters in the east. The word 'Thabana Ntlenyana' is written in black letters in the south. The word 'Cape of Good Hope' is written in black letters in the south. The word 'MADAGASCAR' is written in green letters to the east of the continent. The word 'AFRICA' is written in large, bold, black letters across the center of the continent. The word 'ATLAS MOUNTAINS' is written in black letters along the top left edge. The word 'ARABIAN DESERT' is written in black letters in the northeast. The word 'KALAHARI DESERT' is written in black letters in the south. The word 'Gulf of Guinea' is written in blue letters in the west. The word 'Red Sea' is written in blue letters in the northeast. The word 'Indian Ocean' is written in blue letters in the east. The word 'Nile' is written in blue letters in the northeast. The word 'Niger' is written in blue letters in the west. The word 'Congo' is written in blue letters in the center. The word 'Orange' is written in blue letters in the south. The word 'Ethiopian Highlands' is written in black letters in the east. The word 'Darfur Plateau' is written in black letters in the center. The word 'Arabian Peninsula' is written in red letters in the northeast. The word 'Zardkuh' is written in black letters in the northeast. The word 'Kenya' is written in black letters in the east. The word 'Thabana Ntlenyana' is written in black letters in the south. The word 'Cape of Good Hope' is written in black letters in the south.

## Parallels and Meridians



There are four other important **parallels**:

To the north, the \_\_\_\_\_ and the

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To the south, the \_\_\_\_\_ and the

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### Factors that affect climate:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Oceans heat up and cool down more slowly than the land. As a result, coastal temperatures are milder than inland temperatures both in summer and winter.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Mountain regions have colder temperatures and higher precipitation than low areas.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Regions closer to the equator receive rays from the sun more directly than at the north and south poles.