

## Welcome to the International Geography Bee!

1. **Greenland** (Kalaallit Nunaat) is the largest island on Earth whose capital is Nuuk.
2. The **Iberian Peninsula** includes the Portugal, Spain, and the southern portion of France.
3. **New Zealand** or Aotearoa is an island nation comprising of two main islands separated by the Cook Strait. Major cities include Auckland and Christchurch.
4. **Madagascar** is the largest African island. It is separated from the mainland by the Mozambique Channel and is the only natural homeland of lemurs. Its capital is Antananarivo.
5. The **Sinai** peninsula is located in Eastern Egypt. It's where God gave Moses the 10 Commandments.
6. **Honshu** is the largest and most popular Japanese island.
7. **Hokkaido** is the northernmost Japanese main island. Its capital and largest city is Sapporo.
8. The **Galapagos Islands**, where Charles Darwin observed finches, are located in the Pacific Ocean. The archipelago is controlled by Ecuador.
9. **Eastern Island**, home to the Rapa Nui people, is a Chilean island famous for its Moai statues of heads.
10. **Sri Lanka**, once known as Ceylon, is an island nation located off the coast of India.
11. **Ireland** is an island divided between the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland. It includes cities such as Belfast and Dublin.
12. **Crete** is the largest Greek island, and home to the Minoan palace of Knossos.
13. **Java**, an island in Indonesia, is the most populous island in the world famous for its coffee.
14. The island of **Hispaniola** contains the nation of Haiti and the Dominican Republic.
15. **New Guinea** is divided between the Indonesian province of West Papua and Papua New Guinea.
16. The **Philippines** is a Southeast Asia country with its capital at Manila. The country consists of over 7,600 islands.
17. The **Canary Islands** is an autonomous region of Spain off the coast of Morocco.
18. **Maui** is the second largest Hawaiian island that shares its name with a Polynesian trickster and demigod.
19. **Lake Baikal** is the deepest and oldest lake in the world.
20. **Lake Ladoga**, located next to St. Petersburg in Russia, is the largest freshwater lake in Europe.
21. The **Red Sea** separates the Arabian Peninsula from Africa. It is connected to the Mediterranean Sea to the north by the Suez Canal.
22. **Lake Victoria** is the largest lake in Africa and is named for the British Queen Victoria. It is the primary source of the White Nile.
23. **Lake Titicaca** is the highest navigable lake in the world. It's located in the Andes Mountains on the border between Bolivia and Peru.
24. The **Dead Sea** is hypersaline lake located between Jordan and Israel. It has the lowest point of land elevation on Earth.

25. The **Persian Gulf** is a body of water that separates Iran from the Arabian Peninsula and is linked to the Indian Ocean by the Strait of Hormuz.
26. The **Arctic Ocean** is the smallest and shallowest ocean in the world and is mostly covered by ice sheets.
27. The **Baltic Sea** is surrounded by Scandinavia, Poland, and the Baltic States (Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania).
28. The **Black Sea** is located between Europe and Asia. It flows through the Bosphorus and the Dardanelles into the Aegean Sea. Odessa, Sochi, and Sevastopol are cities along its coast.
29. **Lake Michigan** is one of the Great Lakes that is connected to Lake Huron through the Straits of Mackinac. Chicago, Milwaukee, and Green Bay are cities along the lake.
30. The **Nile River** is the longest river in Africa. It has two major tributaries: the White Nile and the Blue Nile.
31. **Volga River** is the longest river in Europe and empties into the Caspian Sea.
32. **Danube River** is the second longest river in Europe and flows through many major European cities such as Vienna, Budapest, and Belgrade. It eventually flows into the Black Sea.
33. The **Panama Canal** connects the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.
34. The **Suez Canal** links the Red Sea to the Mediterranean Sea.
35. The **Congo River** is the second largest river in Africa. It was once named the Zaire.
36. The **Ganges River** is a northern Indian river held sacred by Hindus. It flows from the Himalayas and empties into the Bay of Bengal.
37. The **Mekong River** forms the boundary between Thailand and Laos and flows through Vientiane and Phnom Penh.
38. The **Amazon River** is the longest river in South America and shares its name with a rainforest. Rio Negro, the world's largest blackwater river, is a tributary of the Amazon River.
39. The **Rhine River** forms the border of Germany and France and flows into the North Sea.
40. The **Yellow River** is the second-longest river in China that originates from Qinghai and discharges into the Bohai Sea.
41. The **Yangtze River** is the longest river in China. It flows past China's largest freshwater lake, Lake Poyang, and the Three Gorges Dam.
42. The **Strait of Gibraltar** connects the Mediterranean Sea to the Atlantic Ocean.
43. The **Cape of Good Hope** is located near the southern tip of Africa.
44. The **Andes Mountain Range** spans seven countries from Venezuela to Argentina.
45. The **Alps** is the largest mountain range in Europe. It includes famous peaks such as Mont Blanc and the Matterhorn.
46. Mt. **Kilimanjaro**, located in Tanzania, is the highest point in Africa. In Swahili, Kilimanjaro is known as Uhuru.
47. Mount **Everest**, located in the Himalayan mountain on the Nepal-China border, is the highest point on Earth.
48. Mt. **Fuji** is the tallest peak in Japan.
49. The **Aconcagua** is a peak in the Andes Mountains, the tallest in South America.
50. The **Ural Mountains** form part of the boundary between Europe and Asia.

51. The **Caucasus Mountains** spans from the Caspian Sea to the Black Sea. It contains **Mount Elbrus**, the highest peak in Europe.
52. The **Gobi Desert** covers most of Mongolia and parts of northern China.
53. The **Kalahari Desert** is located in Southern Africa that covers parts of Botswana, Namibia, and South Africa.
54. The **Atacama Desert** is located in South America, west of the Andes Mountains.
55. **Ethiopia** is a mountainous country located in the Horn of Africa whose capital is Addis Ababa.
56. **Tierra del Fuego**, meaning “land of fire”, is an archipelago located at the southern tip of South America. The archipelago is shared by Argentina and Chile.
57. **Egypt** is home to the Giza Pyramids and the Valley of the Kings. Its capital is at Cairo.
58. **Siberia** is a large regional of Russia with the Ural Mountains to its west and the port of Vladivostok in the east.
59. **Venezuela** is a country in South America whose capital is Caracas. Angel Falls, Lake Maracaibo, the Catatumbo River, and the Orinoco River are all located in Venezuela.
60. **Morocco** is an African nation with its capital at Rabat. Marrakesh and Casablanca are major cities located in Morocco, which serves as the western terminus of the Atlas Mountains.
61. The **Netherlands** is home to the largest container port in Europe. It’s commonly referred to as Holland with its capital at Amsterdam.
62. **Patagonia** is a cold and windy regional located in southern Chile and Argentina.
63. **Mongolia** is an Asian nation that contains most of the Gobi Desert and has its capital at Ulaanbaatar.
64. **Bangladesh** is a South Asian nation that gained its independence from Pakistan and has its capital at Dhaka.
65. **Chile** is a South American country with capital at Santiago. It’s home to the **Atacama Desert**.
66. **Switzerland** is a European nation that is divided into 26 cantons and has its capital at Bern.
67. **Nigeria** is the most populous country in Africa. Its largest city is Lagos.
68. **Singapore** is a city-state in Southeast Asia that was once part of Malaysia.
69. **Portugal** is a Western European country with its capital at Lisbon. It’s located on the Iberian Peninsula.
70. **South Korea** is an Eastern Asian country with its capital at Seoul. Its northern border is formed by the DMZ at the 38th parallel.
71. **Jamaica** is a Caribbean island nation with its capital at Kingston.
72. **Cuba** is a Caribbean island nation with its capital at Havana.
73. **Saudi Arabia** is a country located on the Arabian Peninsula with its capital at Riyadh.
74. **Norway** is a Northern European nation with its capital at Oslo. Its island of Svalbard is located north of the Barents Sea.
75. **British Columbia** is a Canadian province that includes the cities of Victoria and Vancouver.
76. **Croatia** is an Eastern European nation with its capital at Zagreb.
77. **South Africa** is the southern most nation in Africa with its legislative capital at Cape Town. It’s largest city is Johannesburg.

78. **Scandinavia** is a region of Northern Europe that is usually referring to the nations of Denmark, Norway, and Sweden. The **Scandinavian Peninsula** is a peninsula that comprises of Sweden, Norway, Northwestern Finland, and a tiny part of Northwestern Russia.
79. **Dubai** is the most populous city of the United Arab Emirates. The Burj Khalifa, the tallest building in the world, and numerous artificial islands are located in Dubai.
80. **Sydney** is the most populous Australian city known for its famous Opera House. It is the capital of New South Wales.
81. **Mecca** is the holiest city in Islam. It is located in Saudi Arabia with famous structures such as the Kaaba and the Masjid al-Haram.
82. **Hong Kong** is a Special Administration Region of China. It was handed back to China by the British in 1997.
83. **Mexico City** is the capital of Mexico. It was built atop the former royal capital of Tenochtitlan along the shore of Lake Texcoco.
84. **Istanbul** is the largest city in Turkey located along the Bosphorus strait. It was formerly known as Constantinople and Byzantium.
85. **San Francisco** is a California city that's known for its Golden Gate Bridge and cable cars.
86. **New Orleans** is the most populous city in the US state of Louisiana. It's famous for its French Quarters.
87. **Paris** is the capital of France and home to the Louvre and the Eiffel Tower.
88. **Vienna** is the capital of Austria and home to the Belvedere, Hofburg, and Schönbrunn Palaces.
89. **Venice** is an Italian city famous for its canals.
90. **Pyongyang** is the capital of North Korea.
91. **Gibraltar** is a British Overseas Territory located at the southern tip of the Iberian Peninsula.
92. **Uluru**, or Ayers Rock, is a large rock formation in Australia's Northern Territory.
93. The **Serengeti** is a region in northern Tanzania that's know for its biodiversity. It hosts an annual migration of over a million Wildebeests.
94. **Machu Picchu**, an Incan city, was discovered by Hiram Bingham in 1911. The Incan ruin is located in Peru and is often referred to as the "lost city of the Incas."
95. **Angkor Wat** is a large Buddhist Temple complex located in Cambodia. It was built during the Khmer Empire and is depicted on the Cambodian flag.
96. The **Great Wall of China** is the world's longest fortification that was first constructed during the Warring States Period and then rebuilt in the 14th century.
97. **Yellowstone National Park** is located on its namesake river in Montana, Idaho, and Wyoming. It contains a geyser that erupts every half hour to two hours, Old Faithful.
98. **Yosemite National Park** is located in the Sierra Nevada Mountains of California.
99. **Grand Canyon** is the largest canyon in the United States split between Northern Arizona and Southern Utah. The Colorado River flows through the canyon.
100. **Stonehenge** is a prehistoric site in England, comprises of a large circle of stacked megaliths.