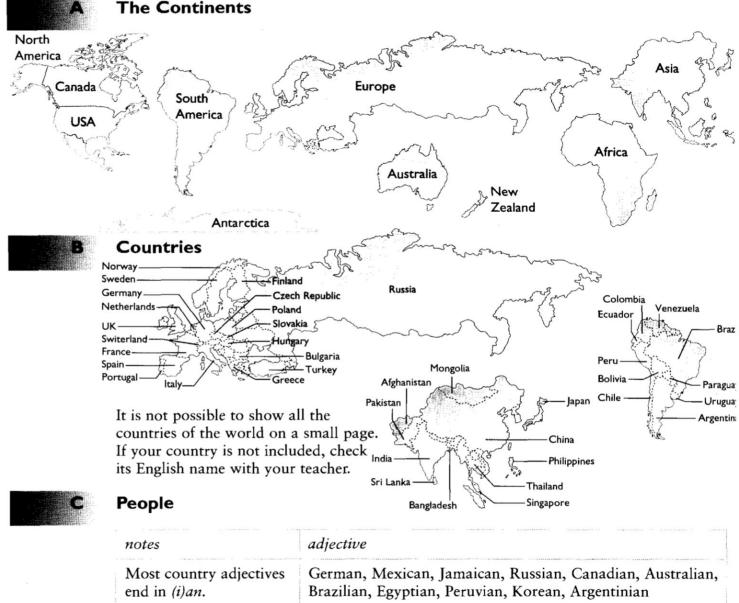
# 36 Countries, languages and people

All the nouns and adjectives in this unit always begin with a capital letter, for example Africa [NOT africa].



Most country adjectives end in (i)an.

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German, Mexican, Jamaican, Russian, Canadian, Australian, Brazilian, Egyptian, Peruvian, Korean, Argentinian

British, English, Irish, Scottish, Polish, Swedish, Finnish, Spanish, Turkish

Chinese, Portuguese, Japanese, Vietnamese, Nepalese end in ese.

Exceptions: French (from France), Dutch (from Holland), Swiss (from Switzerland), Greek, Iraqi, Thai, Icelandic, Arab, Israeli

## Languages and people

Words for languages are usually the same as the 'people' adjective: English, French, Japanese, Thai, Spanish, Chinese, Norwegian (from Norway), etc. There is one exception: Arabic.

## **Exercises**

You may need to ask a teacher or to use a dictionary to help you with some of these exercises – it is not possible to include every country and nationality on the left-hand page.

## **36.1** In which continents are these places?

- 1 Mount Everest Asia
- 4 Wogga Wogga
- 7 The Mississippi

- 2 The Sahara
- 5 The Volga
- 8 Mount Fuji

- 3 The Amazon
- 6 Mount Kilimanjaro
- 9 Lake Titicaca

#### **36.2** Which countries are these? Write their names on them.

Brazil	Spain	Russia	China	Sweden	Thailand



## **36.3** Where are these capital cities? Write sentences.

- 1 Tokyo Tokyo is the capital of Japan.
- 2 Rome
- 3 Canberra
- 4 Bogota
- 5 Cairo

- 6 Vienna
- 7 Edinburgh
- 8 Ankara
- 9 Buenos Aires
- 10 Madrid

## **36.4** Write down in English:

- 1 the name of your country.
- 2 the names of the countries next to your country.
- 3 the names of any other countries which are important for your country in some way.
- 4 the word for your language.
- 5 the name for people from your country.

## **36.5** Which country is different? (Think of the languages they speak there.) Write sentences.

- 1 England, Canada, Iceland, Australia In England, Canada and Australia they speak English but in Iceland they speak Icelandic.
- 2 Mexico, Brazil, Spain, Chile
- 3 Italy, Austria, Germany, Switzerland
- 4 Morocco, Egypt, China, Saudi Arabia
- 5 Switzerland, Canada, Scotland, France

## **36.6** What is the adjective for these countries?

- 1 Cuba Cuban
- 2 Vietnam
  - etnam 6 Germany
- 10 Spain
- 14 Greece

- 3 Korea
- 7 Egypt
- 11 Peru
- 15 Australia

- 4 Thailand 5 Iraq
- 8 Argentina 9 Holland
- 12 China 13 Britain
- 16 Poland17 India

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