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## Sample annotated map

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**Australia** lies wholly in the southern hemisphere, unlike Africa and South America which have some areas in each hemisphere. The coastline is 25 760 kilometres. It is a continent of one country with six states and two territories compared to Africa and South America which have many independent countries within each continent. Australia has some of the most recognised rock formations in the world including Uluru in Central Australia which is sacred to the local Aboriginal people who live there. It also has the largest coral reef called the Great Barrier Reef. It is located between the Indian Ocean and the South Pacific Ocean.

**South America**

**Australia**

**Africa**

**South America** is a continent located mostly in the southern hemisphere. It is located east of Australia. It is 17 819 000 square kilometres and is the fourth largest continent. There are 12 countries in South America with the largest being Brazil.

Four countries lie north of the equator — Colombia, Venezuela, Guyana and Suriname. South America has the largest tropical rainforest in the world called the Amazon which covers one-third of the continent. It is similar to Africa in having some of the continent located in both hemispheres. It is separated by the South Atlantic to the east and the South Pacific Ocean to the west.

**Africa** has 54 individual countries and is the second largest continent at 30 221 532 square kilometres. It is home to the to the world’s largest desert — the Sahara and the world’s longest river — The Nile. It lies west of Australia and is located across the equator so has different climate zones.

It is surrounded by the Mediterranean Sea to the north, the Indian Ocean to the south-east and the Atlantic Ocean to the west.