

# My World Questions 2

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*Note: Question numbers that in italics are the questions where there are only 2 possible answers.*

## **The Continents**

Note: We are using the [seven](#) continents point of view:

- 1) North America
- 2) South America
- 3) Europe
- 4) Asia
- 5) Africa
- 6) Australasia (sometimes called: Oceania)
- 7) Antarctica

1) The country of Oman is located of which continent?

a) Asia! Oman is on the continent of Asia. It has an estimated population of 2,845,000, and is 119,498 square miles in size.

Europe

Africa

2) What countries are located on the Arabian Peninsula?

a) The following 7 countries make up the countries on the Arabian Peninsula: Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates, Yemen and Saudi Arabia.

Jordan, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates, Yemen and Saudi Arabia  
Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Somalia, Yemen and Saudi Arabia.

3) Of the seven countries that are located on the Arabian Peninsula, which is the largest in size?

a) Saudi Arabia! Saudi Arabia has a landmass of 830,000 square miles and an estimated population of 28,686,633 inhabitants.

Saudi Arabia: 2,149,690 square kilometres - 830,000 square miles

Yemen: 527,968 square kilometres - 203,849 square miles

Oman: 309,550 square kilometres - 119,498 square miles

4) Which country on the Arabian Peninsula has two cities with mosques that are considered by many as the two holiest mosques in Islam?

a) Saudi Arabia! The two cities are Mecca and Medina, and both are in Saudi Arabia.

Yemen

Oman

5) Which New Zealand Island is the largest, the South Island or the North Island?

a) South Island! The South Island is 151,215 square kilometres, with a population of 1,027,500. The North Island is 113,729 square kilometers with 3,287,600 inhabitants.

6) The country of Azerbaijan is located on which continent?

a) Asia! Azerbaijan, received its independence from the Soviet Union, on October 18, 1991. The country in size is 33,436 square miles, or 86,600 square kilometres, and an estimated population in 2010, is about 9,000,000 inhabitants.

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7) The country of Spain has a land border with three other countries, one is France, which is the other two countries?

a) Portugal and Andorra! Portugal borders Spain on the western side, while Andorra is located on the border with France.

Spain is 195,364 square miles in size.

Andorra, is only 181 square miles, in size.

Portugal is 35,645 square miles in size.

Gibraltar and Andorra

8) The country of Ecuador is located on which continent?

South America! The country Ecuador is so named as it straddles the equator. In size it has 98,990 square miles and a population of 13,625,000 inhabitants (est. 2008).

Africa

Asia

9) How many countries are on the located on the equator?

a) 13! The countries that the equator passes through are: Sao Tome and Príncipe, Gabon, Republic of the Congo, Democratic Republic of Congo, Uganda, Kenya, Somalia, Maldives (Indian Ocean), Indonesia, Kiribati, Ecuador, Colombia, and Brazil.

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10) How many countries are located on the Prime Meridian which runs through Greenwich, England?

a) 8! The Prime Meridian intercepts the following eight countries: United Kingdom, France, Spain, Algeria, Mali, Burkina Faso, Ghana and Togo.

11) Which is the most widely spoken language on earth?

a) Mandarin! Chinese Mandarin, is spoken by an estimated, 1,120,000,000 billion people. The second most widely spoken languages English, and the third is Spanish.

Mandarin - English - Spanish

12) The country of Turkestan can be located on which continent?

a) Asia! Turkestan is a huge state located in Central Asia. It covers an area of 2,181,200 square kilometers or 842,200 square miles, and has a population of 51.6 million. The country is ruled by a monarch, the Ilxan, who is elected for life by the parliament.

**13)** Which has the largest area, Scotland or the island of Ireland?

a) Ireland! Ireland is 32,595 square miles or 84,421 square kilometers in size, while Scotland has 30,414 square miles or 78,772 square kilometers.

14) Which country has the "least" population, England, Scotland or Ireland?

a) Ireland? Ireland has an 2009 estimated population of 4,459,300.

Ireland - Population (2009 estimate): 4,459,300

Scotland - Population (2009 estimate): 5,194,000

England - Population (2008 estimate): 51,446,000

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15) Which of the three countries listed is the smallest in total area, Canada, Mexico or the United States?

a) Mexico! Mexico has only 761,606 square miles or 1,972,550 square kilometers. When compared with the United States with 3,794,101 square miles, and Canada with 3,854,085 square miles it is the smallest in landmass.

16) Which country has the largest population, Canada, , Mexico or the United States?

a) United States: The United States has the largest number of inhabitants with an 2010 estimate of 309,218,000 million.

Mexico population estimate for 2009: 111,211,789 million

Canada population estimate for 2010: 34,096,000 million

17) Which country is the largest in area, Canada, China, or Brazil?

a) Canada! Canada is 3,855,100 square miles or 9,984,670 square kilometers in size.

China: 9,596,961 square kilometers

Brazil: 8,514,877 square kilometers

18) How many countries border on the People's Republic of China, 7, 14, or 22?

a) 14! Fourteen countries border on China, they are, Mongolia, Russia, North Korea, Vietnam, Laos, Myanmar (Burma), Bhutan, Nepal, India, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, and Kazakhstan.

19) How many states of the 50 American states, are located on the North American continent, 48, 49, 50?

a) 49! There are 50 states that make up the American Union, however Hawaii is not located on the North America continent. It is part of the Polynesia group of islands that are located in the Pacific Ocean.

20) Which is the capital city for the country of Ecuador, in South America?

a) Quito! Quito is the capital of Ecuador, and has a population of 1,397,698.

Caracas - Santiago

**21)** Which of the following 2 countries have the largest population, Northern Ireland or Wales?

a) Wales! Wales has an estimated population in 2008 of 3,004,600 million, while Northern Ireland's population in 2009 was 1,775,000 million.

22) The capital of Uruguay is which of the following, Bogotá, La Paz or Montevideo?

a) Montevideo! Located in South America, the capital of Uruguay is Montevideo, with a population of 1,325,968. The country of Uruguay has a total population of, 3,494,382.

Bogotá - La Paz

23) There are two countries in South America that are landlocked, Paraguay is one which is the other?

a) Bolivia! Bolivia is one of the two landlocked countries in South America. Bolivia is 424,163 square miles in size, with an estimated (2010) population of 10,907,778.

Suriname - Uruguay

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24) What is the name of the gulf that Saint Petersburg, Russia, is situated on?

a) Gulf of Finland! Saint Petersburg is located on the Gulf of Finland on the Baltic Sea. Saint Petersburg, was once called Leningrad and Petrograd. The city is the second largest in Russia by population with (2007) 4,568,000 inhabitants. The Gulf of Bothnia is between Sweden and Finland, while the Gulf of Riga is on the coasts of Estonia and Latvia.

Gulf of Bothnia - Gulf of Riga

25) What three countries are known as the Baltic States?

a) Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania! The population of the three countries in 2010 was 6,913,490, with a total area of 67,523 square miles or 175,015 square kilometers.

Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania

Latvia, Lithuania and Poland

Denmark, Finland and Sweden

26) Kaliningrad Oblast a district of Russia is located on which body of water: Baltic Sea, Black Sea, or the Gulf of Finland?

a) Kaliningrad Oblast! Kaliningrad Oblast (province) is located between Lithuania and Poland on the Baltic Sea. It has an area of 15,100 square kilometers or 5,830.1 square miles, with a population of 955,281 inhabitants using 2002 figures.

27) How many countries does Russia border on, 12, 15, or 22?

a) 15! Russia borders on fifteen countries, they include: Norway, Finland, Estonia, Latvia, Belarus, Ukraine, Georgia, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, China, Mongolia, North Korea and with Lithuania and Poland, both via Kaliningrad Oblast that is located on the Baltic Sea.

28) The country of Georgia in Asia is bordered in the west by which body of water, Black Sea, Caspian Sea or the Sea of Azov?

a) Black Sea! Georgia is bordered on the west by Black Sea. The country has a population of 4,385,400, and is 26,916 square miles (69,700 km<sup>2</sup>) in size. It was once part of the Soviet Union but had independence restored in 1991.

29) How many countries border on the Black Sea, 4, 6 or 9?

a) 6! Six countries border on the Black Sea, they include: Ukraine, Russia, Georgia, Turkey, Bulgaria and Romania. The Black Sea has a surface area of 168,500 square miles or 436,400 square kilometers. The three largest rivers that flow into the Black Sea are, the Don, Dnieper and Danube Rivers.

30) Which country by area is the largest, Belarus, Spain or Ukraine?

a) Ukraine! Once part of the Soviet Union, until 1991, when it became independent the Ukraine is 603,700 square kilometers in size, the second largest in Europe.

Belarus: 207,600 square kilometers

Spain: 504,851 square kilometers

31) Which is the smallest country by size in Europe, Andorra, Malta or Liechtenstein?

a) Liechtenstein! Liechtenstein is only 160 square kilometers in size while Andorra is 468 square kilometers and Malta is 316 square kilometers.

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32) Which of the three listed countries is the largest, Monaco, San Marino or Vatican City?

a) San Marino! San Marino, surrounded by Italy is the largest at 61 square kilometers. The next in size is, Monaco at 1.95 square miles and then Vatican City at 0.44 kilometers. Monaco and Vatican City are also considered city states.

**33)** Which part of the Iberian Peninsula does Spain want returned to it?

a) Gibraltar! Spain ceded Gibraltar to Great Britain with the signing of Treaty of Utrecht in 1713. In a 2002, referendum the majority of the Gibraltarians voted and rejected a proposal of shared sovereignty with Spain. Gibraltar is 5.9 square kilometers in size and located on the southern end of the Iberian Peninsula.

Malta

**34)** Does the country, the Republic of Equatorial Guinea lie on the equator? yes or no

a) no! The African country of Equatorial Guinea is not on the equator. The country of Gabon, on the southern border of Equatorial Guinea is on the equator. Equatorial Guinea's capital of Malabo is located on, Bioko Island in the Gulf of Guinea

35) Which states has the highest population density per-square-kilometer, of the following, Gibraltar, Monaco or Vatican City?

a) Monaco! Monaco has a population density of 16,923.7 persons per square kilometers. The city-state is located on the Mediterranean Sea.

Gibraltar population is 4,558.8 persons per square kilometer and the Vatican City's is 1,877.2

**36)** Which of the following two countries has the smallest population, Bangladesh or Pakistan?

a) Bangladesh! Bangladesh has the smaller population at 162,221,000 inhabitants, compared with 169,461,000 in Pakistan.

On another note: Pakistan and (Bangladesh) were once part of India when India was under British rule. In 1947, when India gained independence from Britain, Pakistan (West and East Pakistan) also gained theirs. In 1971, East Pakistan (Bangladesh) gained their independence from (West) Pakistan and created the country of Bangladesh.

**37)** Select the country that has the largest area, Jamaica or Puerto Rico?

a) Jamaica! Jamaica is the largest of the two with 11,100 square kilometers or 4,444 square miles. Puerto Rico is 9,104 square kilometers or 3,515 square miles in size.

**38)** When Czechoslovakia split into the Czech Republic and Slovakia Republic, on January 1, 1993, which country was the largest in size?

a) Czech Republic! The Czech Republic was the larger of the two with 78,866 square kilometers, as Slovakia received 48,845 square kilometers.

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39) How many countries that make up what is known as the Balkan States, 12, 5 or 9?  
a) 9 countries! There are nine countries that make up the Balkan States: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Greece, Macedonia, Romania, Slovenia, and Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro). It should be noted that a small portion of Turkey in eastern Thrace (23,417.4 sq km) that lies northwest of the Sea of Marmora (Marmara) is also on the Balkan Peninsula. Turkey is not included as a country in the Balkan States as the capital and major portion is in Asia.

40) Which of the following two countries has the most inhabitants, Jamaica or Puerto Rico?

a) Puerto Rico! Puerto Rico in 2007, had 3,994,259 inhabitants so it larger than Jamaica by population. In 2009, Jamaica had less with 2,825,928 inhabitants. Puerto Rico is a self-governing, unincorporated territory of the United States, its located in the Caribbean Sea.

41) The country of Turkey, borders on how many countries, 3, 7, or 8?

a) 8 - eight! Turkey shares its land border with 8 different countries. These includes: Bulgaria, Greece, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Iran, Iraq, and Syria. The country of Azerbaijan has a 15 kilometer border with Turkey through its enclave of Nakhichevan.

42) How many countries border on the Black Sea, 3, 6 or 8?

a) 6 - six! Six countries border on the Black Sea: Bulgaria, Romania, Ukraine, Russia, Georgia and Turkey. The sea is 168,500 square miles or 436,400 square kilometres in size. The main rivers that have an inflow with the Black Sea are: the Don River, Dnieper River and the Danube river.

43) Which city is the capital of Turkey, Ankara, Bursa or Istanbul?

a) Ankara! The city of Ankara is the capital of Turkey with a population of 3,763,591 inhabitants. The city is the second largest city in the country after, Istanbul. The city of Bursa is the fourth largest with a population of 2,562,828 in 2007.

44) Which Scandinavian country is the largest in area, Finland, Norway or Sweden?

a) Sweden! Sweden is the largest with an area of 449,964 square kilometers. Next is Finland at 336,593 square kilometers, then Norway with 324,20 square kilometers.

45) Which of the following countries is the smallest in area, France, Germany or Italy?

a) Italy! Italy is the smallest of the countries listed with an area of 301,230 square kilometers. Next smallest is Germany, with 357,021 square kilometers, then France at 547,030 square kilometers.

46) Which of the three countries listed is the largest, Belgium, Moldova or the Netherlands?

a) Netherlands! The Netherlands is the largest in area of the three countries with 41,526 square kilometers (16,033 sq miles). Moldova is the second largest with 33,846 square kilometers (13,067 sq miles) , and last of the three is Belgium, with the least at 30,528 square kilometers, or 11,787 square miles.

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47) Victoria Falls in Africa is on the Zambezi River located between countries. Select the two countries that border the falls?

a) Zambia and Zimbabwe! The two countries that border Victoria Falls is Zambia and Zimbabwe. Victoria Falls has a drop of 108 meters or 360 feet.

Mozambique and South Africa.

Zambia and Zimbabwe

Botswana and Namibia

48) Which waterfall is the world's highest, Angel Falls, Olo'upena Falls, or Tugela Falls?

*Note: Cataratas las Tres Hermanas, in Ayacucho, Peru, is listed as the world's third highest falls, but it has not been measured.*

a) Angel Falls in Venezuela is the world's highest and has a water plunge of 979.02 meters or 3,212 feet, the falls drops from a table-top mountain located in, Canaima National Park, Venezuela.

Tugela Falls, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa: 3,110 feet - (947.93 meters) (2nd)

Olo'upena Falls, Molokai, Hawaii, USA: 2,953 feet - (900.07 meters) (4th)

49) Which is the highest waterfall on the continent of North America?

a) James Bruce Falls! James Bruce Falls (unofficial name) is measured as the 8th highest falls in the world. The falls is located in a British Columbia (Canada) Provincial Park and has an ice field as its water source. The falls is 2,775 feet or 840 meters high.

Blum Basin Falls, Whatcom County, Washington, USA: 1,680 feet or 739 meters

Yosemite Falls, California, USA: 2,425 feet or 739 meters

It should that Hawaii is **not** part of the North America Continent

50) Which of the following countries of the Caribbean has the smallest population, Cuba, the Dominican Republic or Haiti?

a) Haiti! Haiti is the smallest with only 10,033,000 inhabitants. The Dominican Republic has a population of 10,090,000, and Cuba has 11,204,000.

51) Which country has the smallest number of inhabitants, Myanmar (Burma), Thailand or Vietnam?

a) Myanmar (Burma)! Myanmar, formally Burma, has 50,020,000 inhabitants making it the smallest by population but it's the largest in land area with 676,578 square kilometers. Thailand, formerly Siam, is the next smallest as of 2009 with 63,525,062 inhabitants, and the largest by population is Vietnam with 85,789,573 inhabitants as of 2009.

52) Which of the following three countries has the most inhabitants, Australia, Portugal or Taiwan?

a) Taiwan! Taiwan also known as Formosa has the most inhabitants of the three with, 23,131,093. The Republic of China is separated from the Peoples Republic of China by the Taiwan Strait. The next largest is Australia with a population of 22,340,975, last is Portugal which has 10,636,888 inhabitants.

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53) Canada and Poland have populations that are within 4,000,000 inhabitants of each other, Canada with of 34,099,000, and Poland having 38,163,895. Of the two, which country has the highest population density?

a) Poland! Poland has a population density of, 122 people per square kilometer while Canada only has 3.41 persons per square kilometer.

Poland land area is 312,679 square kilometers compared to Canada at 9,984,670 square kilometers. Poland is ranked 69th in the world in area, while Canada ranks 2nd.

54) According to the 2009 and 2010, population ranking, which country has the most inhabitants?

a) Ukraine! Ukraine as of 2010, had a population of 45,962,900, and Colombia in 2010 had 45,435,000 inhabitants, while Argentina had a population of 40,134,425 in 2009. Ukraine, Europe - Colombia, South America - Argentina, South America

55) Of the following three countries, Ireland, Scotland and Wales, which has the largest population?

a) Scotland! In 2009, Scotland had an estimated population of 5,194,000 making it the most populated of the three countries listed. The second of the three is Ireland with 4,459,300 and last is Wales with an estimated population of 3,004,600. It should be noted although Wales has the smallest population that it has the highest density of people with 140 per square kilometer.

56) Of the three countries listed, which has the smallest population, Japan, Mexico or the Philippines?

a) Philippines! In 2009 the Philippines had a population of 92,226,600, Mexico had 107,550,697 inhabitants and Japan had a population of 127,390,000.

57) How many continents does the Prime Meridian that begins 0° in Greenwich, England, pass through, 3, 5, or 1?

a) 3! The Prime Meridian passes through, Antarctica, Africa and Europe. The meridian also intersects with 8 different countries.

### Links Relating to the Questions and Answers

50 of the Most Widely Spoken Languages

<http://www.photius.com/rankings/languages2.html>

The 50 States of America

<http://www.50states.com/>

Demographics of Europe

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Demographics\\_of\\_Europe](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Demographics_of_Europe)

List of sets of four countries that border one another

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_sets\\_of\\_four\\_countries\\_that\\_border\\_one\\_another](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_sets_of_four_countries_that_border_one_another)

List of Countries by Population

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_countries\\_by\\_population](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_countries_by_population)

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List of countries and dependencies by population density

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_countries\\_and\\_dependencies\\_by\\_population\\_density](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_countries_and_dependencies_by_population_density)

Worlds Highest Waterfalls

<http://www.world-waterfalls.com/>

List of waterfalls by height

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_waterfalls\\_by\\_height](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_waterfalls_by_height)

Oceania - What Continent is Hawaii On

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Oceania>

List of Country by Mass

[http://www.mongabay.com/igapo/world\\_statistics\\_by\\_area.htm](http://www.mongabay.com/igapo/world_statistics_by_area.htm)

Prime Meridian

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prime\\_Meridian](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prime_Meridian)