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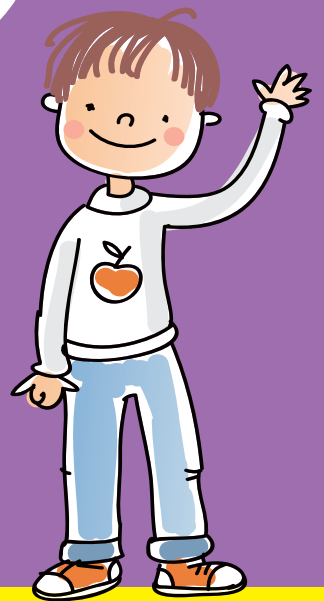
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### Features

- A wide variety of topics that cover American school subjects
- Intensive practice for reading skill development
- Building vocabulary through school subjects and themed texts
- Graphic organizers for each passage
- Captivating pictures and illustrations related to the topics

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# Syllabus Vol. 4

Subject	Topic & Area	Title
<b>Social Studies</b> ★ <b>History and Geography</b>	World Geography & Culture World Geography & Culture Our Earth and Resources Our Earth and Resources	Countries in the World The World's Best Earth Is Our Home Recycle, Reuse, and Reduce
<b>Science</b>	A World of Animals Our Earth Health Health	A World of Animals: Bears Earthquakes The Food Pyramid Staying Healthy
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**Chapter**

# 1

**Social Studies**



**History and  
Geography**







# Unit

# 01

## Countries in the World

### Reading Focus

- What are some big countries?
- What are some small countries?
- Which countries have many people?





Key Words

The World's Biggest Countries

the 1st



Russia

the 2nd



Canada

the 3rd



the United States

the 4th



China

the 5th



Brazil

The World's Smallest Countries

the 1st



Vatican City



the 2nd



Monaco

**Power Verbs**



**be located**

Vatican City **is located** in Rome.



**live in**

1.39 billion people **live in** China.



**follow**

You should **follow** the law.

**Word Families: Words for Countries**



**population**

100	hundred
1,000	thousand
1,000,000	million
1,000,000,000	billion



**(national) flag**



**national anthem**



**law**

**country**



**culture**



**language**



## Countries in the World

How many countries are there in the world?

There are 193 countries in the world.

Some are big. Some are small.

Russia is the biggest country in the world.

Canada is the second biggest country in the world.

The United States is the third biggest country in the world.

And China and Brazil are the fourth and fifth biggest countries.

What is the smallest country in the world?

It is Vatican City.

It is located inside the city of Rome, Italy.

It is no bigger than a city block.

It has a tiny population, too.

Only about 1,000 people live in Vatican City.



▲ Vatican City is no bigger than a city block.

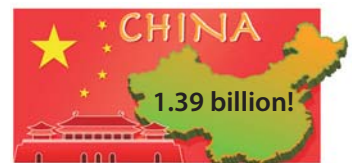
Which country has the biggest population?

China has the biggest population in the world.

About 1.39 billion people live in China.

India has more than 1.3 billion people.

The United States has more than 300 million people.



▲ China has the biggest population in the world.



Every country has its own flag.  
It has a national anthem, too.  
People in a country follow the same laws.  
They speak the same language.  
And they have the same culture.



▲ Every country has its own culture.

### Check Understanding

#### 1 Which country does each picture show?



\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

#### 2 What is the biggest country in the world?

- a** Canada                      **b** China                      **c** Russia

#### 3 What is the smallest country in the world?

- a** Rome                      **b** Vatican City                      **c** Brazil

#### 4 Which country has the biggest population in the world?

- a** the United States      **b** China                      **c** India

#### • Answer the questions below.

##### 1 What are the five biggest countries in the world?

⇒ They are \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_, China, and \_\_\_\_\_.

##### 2 What is the smallest country in the world?

⇒ \_\_\_\_\_ is the \_\_\_\_\_ country in the world.

## Vocabulary and Grammar Builder

### A Look, Read, and Write.

Look at the pictures. Write the correct words.



billion

countries

flag

located



▶ There are 193 \_\_\_\_\_ in the world.



▶ Vatican City is \_\_\_\_\_ inside Rome.



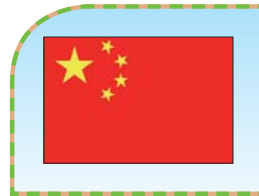
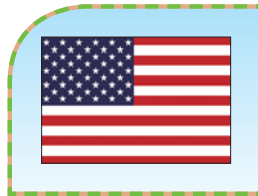
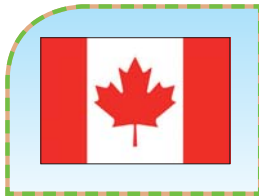
▶ About 1.39 \_\_\_\_\_ people live in China.



▶ Every country has its own \_\_\_\_\_.

### B The First or Second?

Draw a circle around the right words and then write the words.



- 1 Canada is the \_\_\_\_\_ biggest country in the world.  
first    second
- 2 The United States is the \_\_\_\_\_ biggest country in the world.  
second    third
- 3 China is the \_\_\_\_\_ biggest country in the world.  
fourth    fifth
- 4 Brazil is the \_\_\_\_\_ biggest country in the world.  
fourth    fifth

Unit

02

## The World's Best



### Reading Focus

- What is the world's tallest mountain?
- What is the world's longest river?
- What is the world's largest desert?



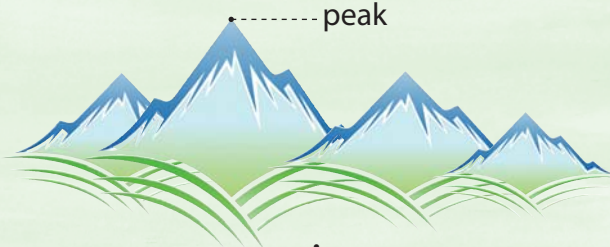


Key Words

Land



mountain



mountain range

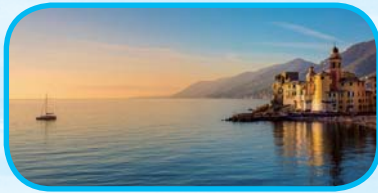
Water



the Nile River



the Amazon River



the Mediterranean Sea



waterfall

Desert



the Sahara Desert



the Arabian Desert



the Gobi Desert





## Power Verbs



**rise**

That mountain **rises** high.



**stretch**

The Andes **stretch** very long.



**flow**

The river **flows** to the sea.



**fall**

The waterfall **falls** 807m.



## Word Families

**some**



**others**



**Some** are low.  
**Others** are high.

**one**



**another**



The Sahara is **one** huge desert.  
The Gobi is **another** huge desert.

the Himalayas

the Alps

**Mountain Ranges**

the Andes

the Rockies

# The World's Best

04

There are many mountains around the world.  
Some are low. Others are high.

Mount Everest is the world's tallest mountain.  
It rises 8,850 meters high.  
It is located in the Himalayas on the  
border of Nepal and China.  
People call it "The Top of the World."



The Andes Mountains are the world's longest mountain range.  
They stretch 7,000km long.  
They are located in South America.

In Europe, there are the Alps.  
Mont Blanc is the highest peak in the Alps.

The world's longest river is the Nile River.  
It is in Africa.

It flows into the Mediterranean Sea.

The Amazon River is another huge river.

It is in South America.

It flows across Brazil to the Atlantic Ocean.

The world's largest desert is the Sahara in Africa.

Next is the Arabian Desert in the Middle East.

The Gobi Desert in Asia is another huge desert.



▲ the Amazon River

The world's highest waterfall is Angel Falls.  
It falls 807m.  
It is in Venezuela in South America.



► Angel Falls

### Check Understanding

1 What does each picture show?



\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2 What is called "The Top of the World"?

- a** Mount Everest      **b** Mont Blanc      **c** the Andes

3 What is the highest peak in the Alps?

- a** Andes Mountains      **b** Mont Blanc      **c** Himalayas

4 The largest desert in the world is \_\_\_\_\_.

- a** the Gobi Desert      **b** the Sahara Desert      **c** the Arabian Desert

• Answer the questions below.

1 Where are the Andes Mountains?

⇒ They are in \_\_\_\_\_.

2 What is the world's highest waterfall?

⇒ It is \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, South America.





## A Look, Read, and Write.

Look at the pictures. Write the correct words.

peak      huge      Himalayas      border



1 ▶ Mount Everest is in the \_\_\_\_\_.



2 ▶ The Himalayas are on the \_\_\_\_\_ of Nepal and China.



3 ▶ Mont Blanc is the highest \_\_\_\_\_ in the Alps.



4 ▶ The Amazon River is another \_\_\_\_\_ river.

## B Rise or Stretch?

Draw a circle around the right words and then write the words.



1 Mount Everest \_\_\_\_\_ high.  
rises    stretches

2 The Andes Mountains \_\_\_\_\_ very long.  
rise    stretch

3 The Nile River \_\_\_\_\_ into the Mediterranean Sea.  
falls    flows

4 Angel Falls \_\_\_\_\_ 807m.  
falls    flows

