

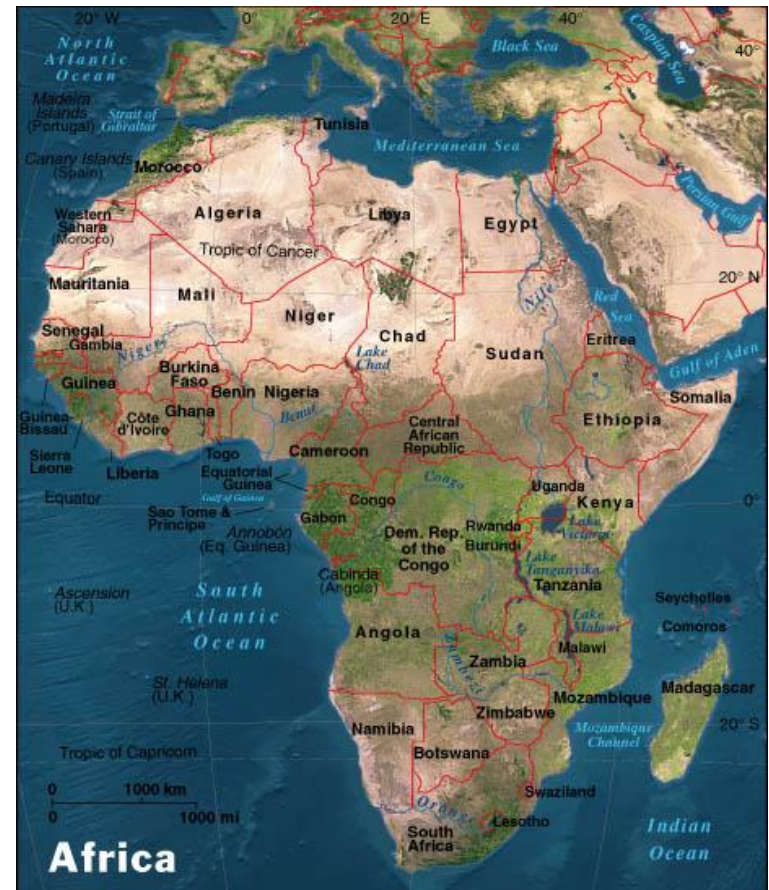
Chapter 21: East Africa

Unit 6

Section 1: Physical Geography

Landforms

- Huge variety of landforms in East Africa
 - Plains
 - Volcanic mountains
 - Plateaus
 - Valleys
 - Rivers
 - Lakes
- Serengeti Plain
- Kilimanjaro
- Mount Kenya
- Great Rift Valley



Landforms

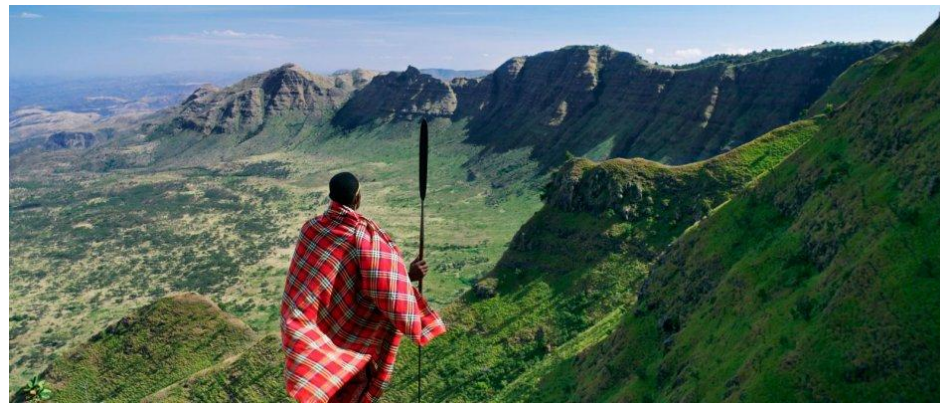


- Major countries of this region:
 - Burundi
 - Ethiopia
 - Kenya
 - Rwanda
 - Tanzania
 - Uganda

Landforms

- Great Rift Valley

- Rift valley-
crack in Earth's
surface formed
by tectonic
plates
- Faults-breaks
in Earth's crust
- Western and
Eastern
sections



Landforms

- Indian Ocean and Red Sea are great for trading with other areas
- Rivers help people to be able to get goods to these other bodies of water to sell
- Plateaus:
 - Escarpments-steep cliffs
 - Cataracts-large waterfalls
 - Ambas-steep-sided, flat-topped land

Landforms

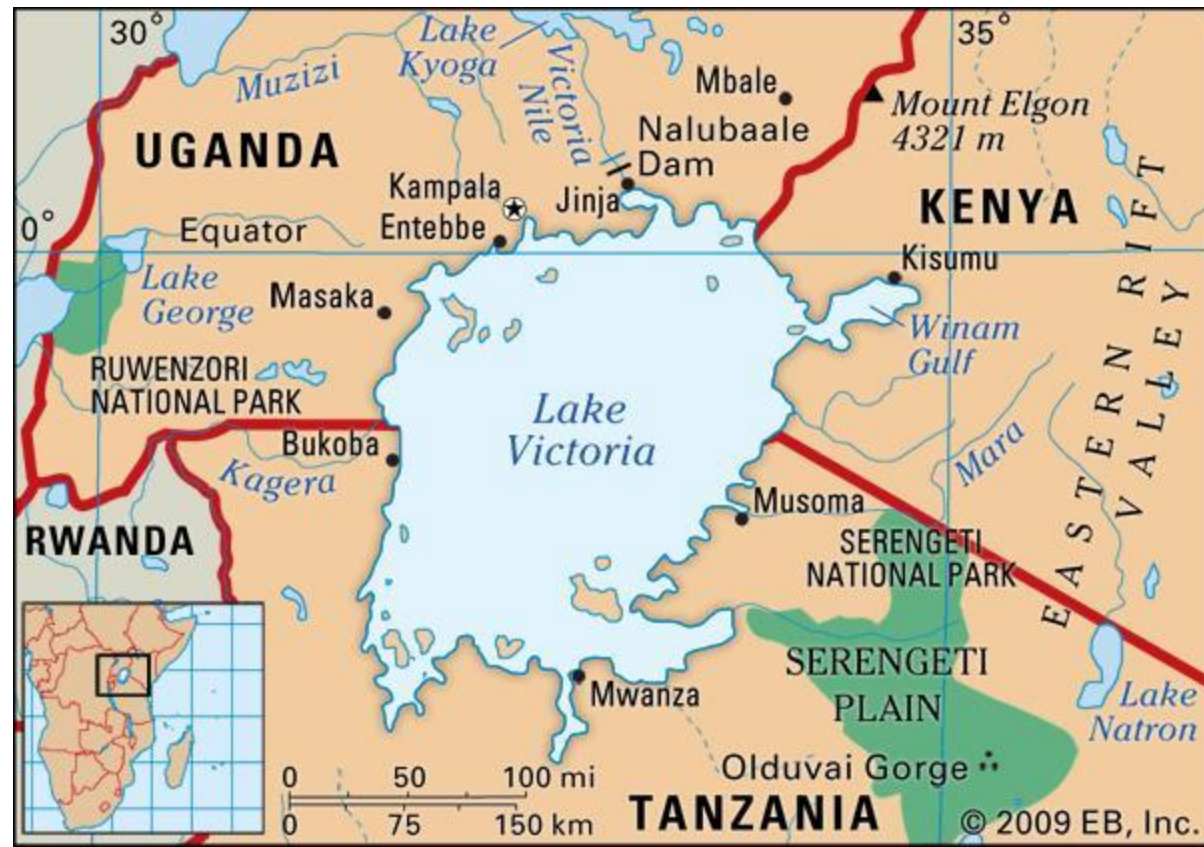


- Mountain Region
 - Eastern Highlands
 - Ethiopian Highlands
 - Kilimanjaro
 - Mount Kenya
 - Ruwenzori Mountains
 - “Mountains of the Moon”



Water Systems

- Lake Victoria
 - Second-largest freshwater lake in the world
 - Uganda, Tanzania, Kenya
 - Where the White Nile River gets its start
 - Somewhat shallow



Water Systems

Lake Tanganyika

- Western Rift Valley
- One of the deepest freshwater lakes in the world
- Tanzania and DRC
- Drainage basin of the Congo River



Climate, Biomes, and Resources

- Tropical heat in subregion
 - Savanna vegetation
- Semi-arid stepp is north of Savanna
- Arid desert is north of the semi-arid steppe
- Humid subtropical climates exist in the mountains of the subregion
- Wide variety of climates and biomes means a wide variety of plant and animal life
 - Which also means the lives of people will be shaped because of these variations.

Section 2: Human Geography

History and Government

- Some of the oldest human fossils have been found in East Africa
- Due to its location along the Red Sea and near the Arabian Peninsula, trade is, and has always been, important.
- Historically it was easy for people to move in and out of the region, so wide variety of peoples exist in East Africa.



History and Government

- Traders established colonies in the 700s
 - Arabic and Islam
 - Slave trade
 - Arabs, Persians, and even Chinese moved through the area through the 1400s.
- Portuguese took control of the area in the late 1400s



History and Government

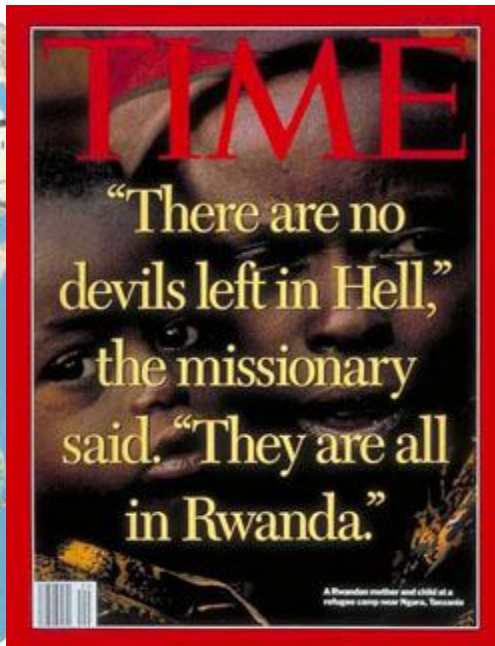
European Colonization

- Vasco da Gama
- RR built along the coast of Indian Ocean
- New medicines were brought to help treat tropical diseases
- Britain, France, Portugal, Germany, Italy all got involved in the region.

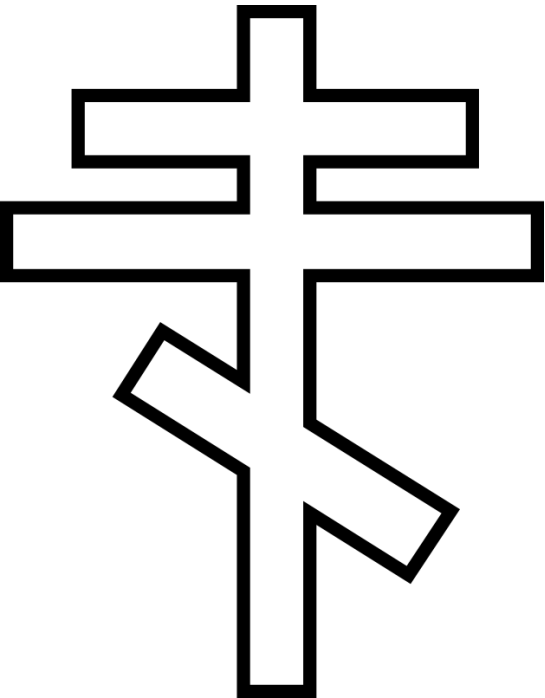


History and Government

- Rwandan Genocide



Society and Culture Today



- Lingua Franca-
common language
used among people
with different native
languages
- Levels of education
vary
- Christianity (mostly
the Orthodox Church)
and Islam are the
major religions

Economics

- Agriculture
- Cash crops: coffee, tea, spices, cashews
 - Has lead to food supply issues for countries
- Fishing
- Tourism
- Trade



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Section 3: People and Their Environment

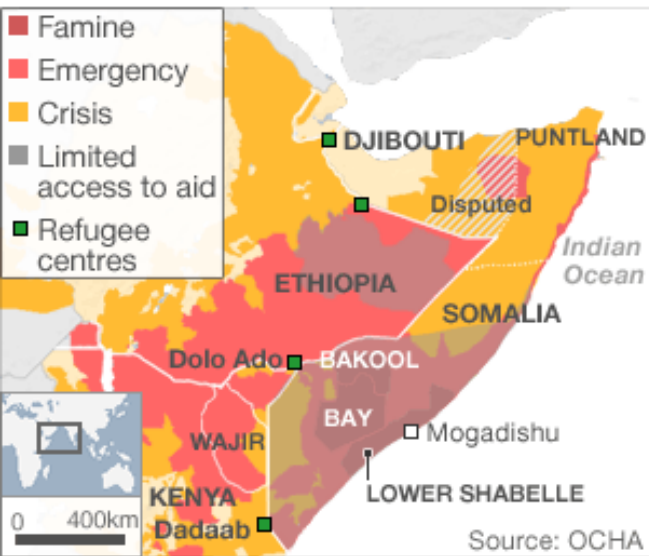
Managing Resources

- Poverty, hunger, drought are all serious issues
 - Most countries focusing on survival
 - Issue with environment?

- Sustainable Agriculture

Managing Resources

Limited access for aid organisations



- War
- Refugees
- Governmental Corruption



Human Impact

- Carrying Capacity-the population that an area will support without undergoing deterioration
- Poaching

