

Can I answer questions about what we have read? Can I retrieve information from a text?

Kenya People

Interesting, amazing facts and information about Kenya People

Man's earliest ancestors might have originated as long as five million years ago in what is now the north of Kenya. You could say that the country's indigenous population easily represents more diversity than any other African country; approximately 30 languages are spoken in Kenya.

One of the biggest ethnic group is the Kikuyu; the smallest group is the El Molo, living on the shores of Lake Turkana. There are roughly seventy tribes dispersed around Kenya.

1. About how many languages are spoken in Kenya?

2. About how many tribes are there in Kenya?

Akamba people are best known for their beautiful wildlife wood carvings and high business skills; they started and still dominate the trade. Tsavo is the traditional home of the Bantu-speaking Akamba people, who are numerically Kenya's fourth-largest group. The Akamba are great traders in ivory, beer, honey, ornaments and iron weapons and, thanks to their knowledge of the interior of the continent, were able to cover a vast region that stretched from the coast to Lake Victoria.

3. What are Akamba people best known for?

4. What items do Akamba people trade? Write down three:

Can I answer questions about what we have read? Can I retrieve information from a text?

The **Maasai** are herders of cattle and goats. A very proud and beautiful Kenya people, the Maasai enjoy adorning themselves with loads of beads and dressing in red colorful cloth. The women do all the day to day work, including building houses, while the men tend the cattle and make tribal decisions. The men are also known for their dancing; they jump straight up into the air and impress with the incredible heights they achieve. Despite government driving the Maasai to join the modern world, they have managed to hang on to their nomadic traditions.



5. What animals do the Maasai herd?

6. What is special about the clothes that Maasai people wear?

7. What sort of jobs do you think a Maasai woman might do during the day?

8. Why do you think the Maasai people have not joined the 'modern' world? Explain your answer in detail.
