

The Greatest Places



Africa

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Sahara



Sahara, Northern Africa



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Where is it?

The Sahara is the biggest and driest of all the deserts on earth, it is about the same size as the USA in area!





Ngorongoro Crater



Ngorongoro Crater, Tanzania

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Where is it?

Ngorongoro Crater is the largest unbroken volcanic caldera on earth...2,000 feet deep & about 12 miles wide.





Serengeti



Serengeti, Tanzania/Kenya



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Where is it?



The Serengeti, which means “endless plain” is home to the longest & largest over land migration in the world. (an estimated 1.2 million wildebeest & 750,000 zebras, along with a variety of other game make the journey)



Giza



Giza, Egypt





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Where is it?

The Pyramids of Giza are built from huge limestone blocks that were floated down the Nile from quarries in the south. Each stone was hand polished and pushed in place by workers using ramps. Giza Pyramids were built around 2100 BC.





Victoria Falls



Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe



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Where is it?

Victoria Falls is one of the 7 Wonders of the World...it boasts the world's largest "curtain" of falling water on earth...it is 5,600 feet wide!





Valley of the Kings



Valley of the Kings, Egypt



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Where is it?



Valley of the Kings is a giant “hidden” cemetery and holds 63 burial sites of pharaohs, kings, and people/animals of noble heritage. The most famous being King Tut!





Nile River



Nile River,
Egypt, Ethiopia, Sudan, South Sudan,
Uganda, Burundi



Nile River,
Egypt, Ethiopia, Sudan, South
Sudan, Uganda, Burundi

Where is it?



The Nile is the LONGEST river on earth.





Great Rift Valley





Great Rift Valley, East Africa



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Where is it?



The Great Rift Valley is basically a huge trench that is in the process of splitting Africa in two...this is due to a divergent plate boundary to the “Geologist” types!





Mt. Kilimanjaro



Mt. Kilimanjaro, Tanzania



Mt. Kilimanjaro,
Tanzania

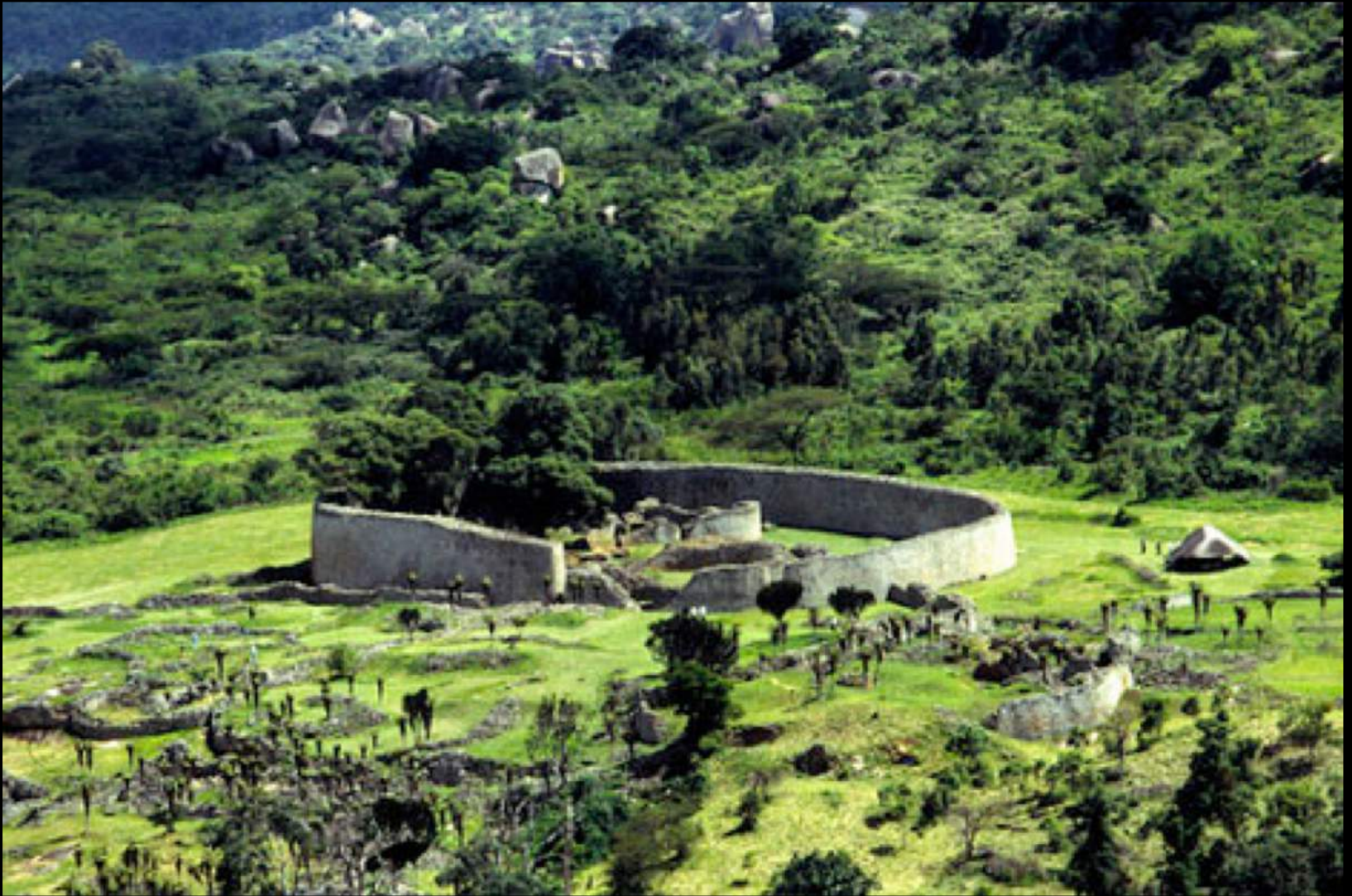
Where is it?

Mt. Kilimanjaro is the largest FREE
STANDING mountain on earth...it is a
stratovolcano and is not a part of a
mountain range.





Great Zimbabwe Ruins



Great Zimbabwe Ruins, Zimbabwe



Great Zimbabwe
Ruins, Zimbabwe

Where is it?

The Great Zimbabwe Ruins housed over 20,000 people and covered an area of 200 square miles during its “heyday” around 1100 AD.





Mosques of Timbuktu

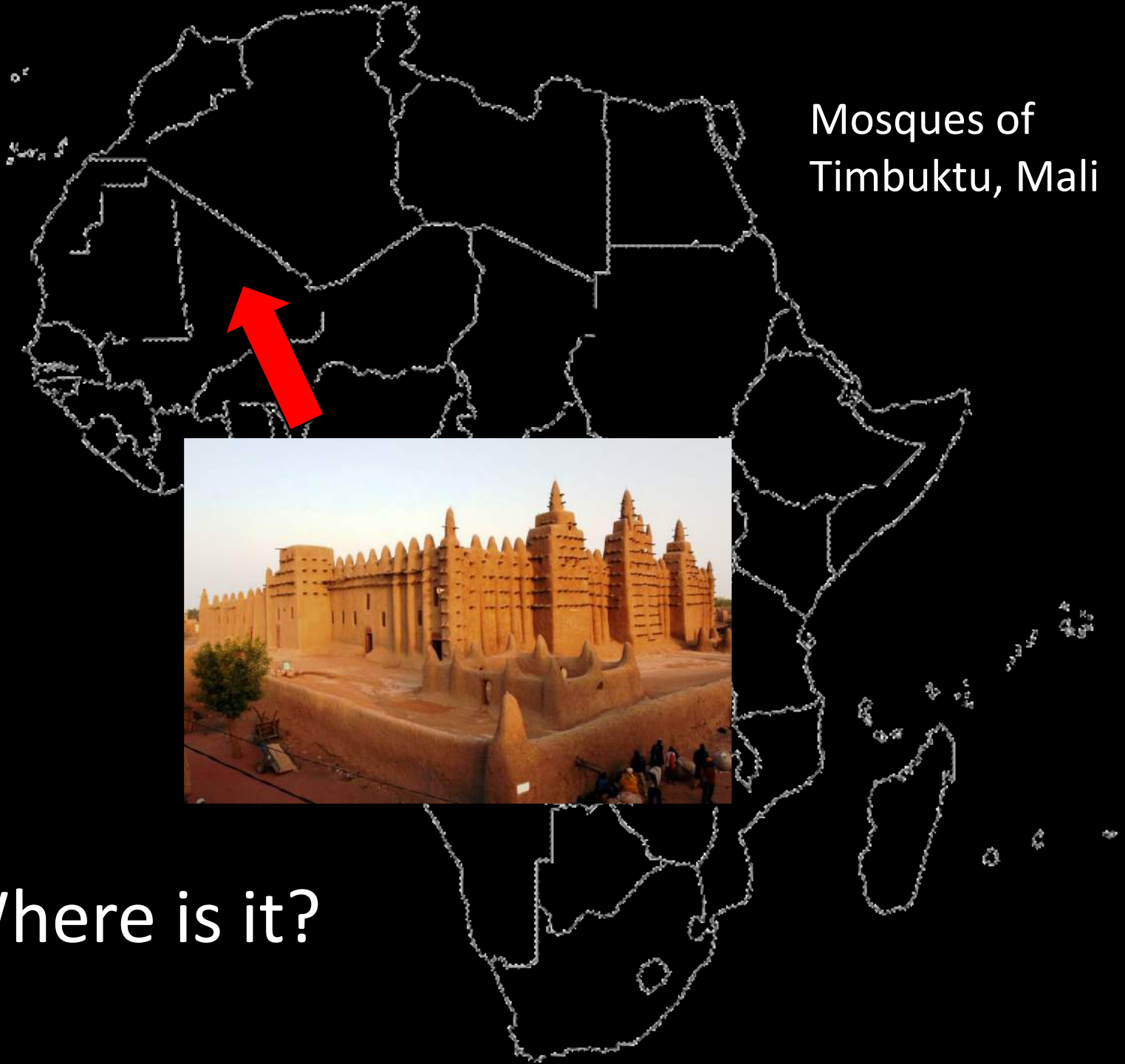


Mosques of Timbuktu, Mali

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Where is it?



Mosques are Muslim places of worship...Timbuktu architecture uses one of the most prevalent resources in the area...sand!