

# Oddizzi World Explorers

## KS2 Week 6 - Global knowledge



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Login to **www.oddizzi.com** and click on *explore the world*. Use your **Scavenger Hunt 1** sheet and Oddizzi's online **explore the world** section to answer the questions and find out many facts you might not have known!

### Putting pen to paper

Login to **www.oddizzi.com** and click on *explore the world - global knowledge - my world our world*  
**Watch:** It's our world, Dubai, UAE

The children in the video show off what is great about where they live. Write a script or draw a comic strip for a video telling others what is great about where you live.

### Watch this

Login to **www.oddizzi.com** and click on *explore the world - global knowledge - virtual tours - Giza pyramids*

**Watch:** Welcome to Egypt

1. Can you name some of the famous ancient monuments found in Egypt?
2. Can you name each of the three pyramids found in Giza?

### Map skills

Do you know where these famous landmarks are around the world?

Look at each landmark on your **world landmarks** map and decide which country they might be located in. Label it on the map.

### Quiz time

Login to **www.oddizzi.com**.

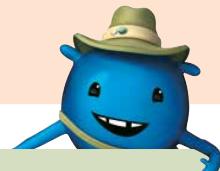
Click on **Quiz** at the top of the page. Find the **Capitals and flags** quiz. We suggest trying **Level 2**.

See how many points you can score!

### What if...

Discuss this made up scenario with your family over breakfast or dinner.

**What if...you lived somewhere that didn't have shops, a supermarket or the Internet?**



### Read it

Read the news article **Migrant crisis in the Mediterranean**.

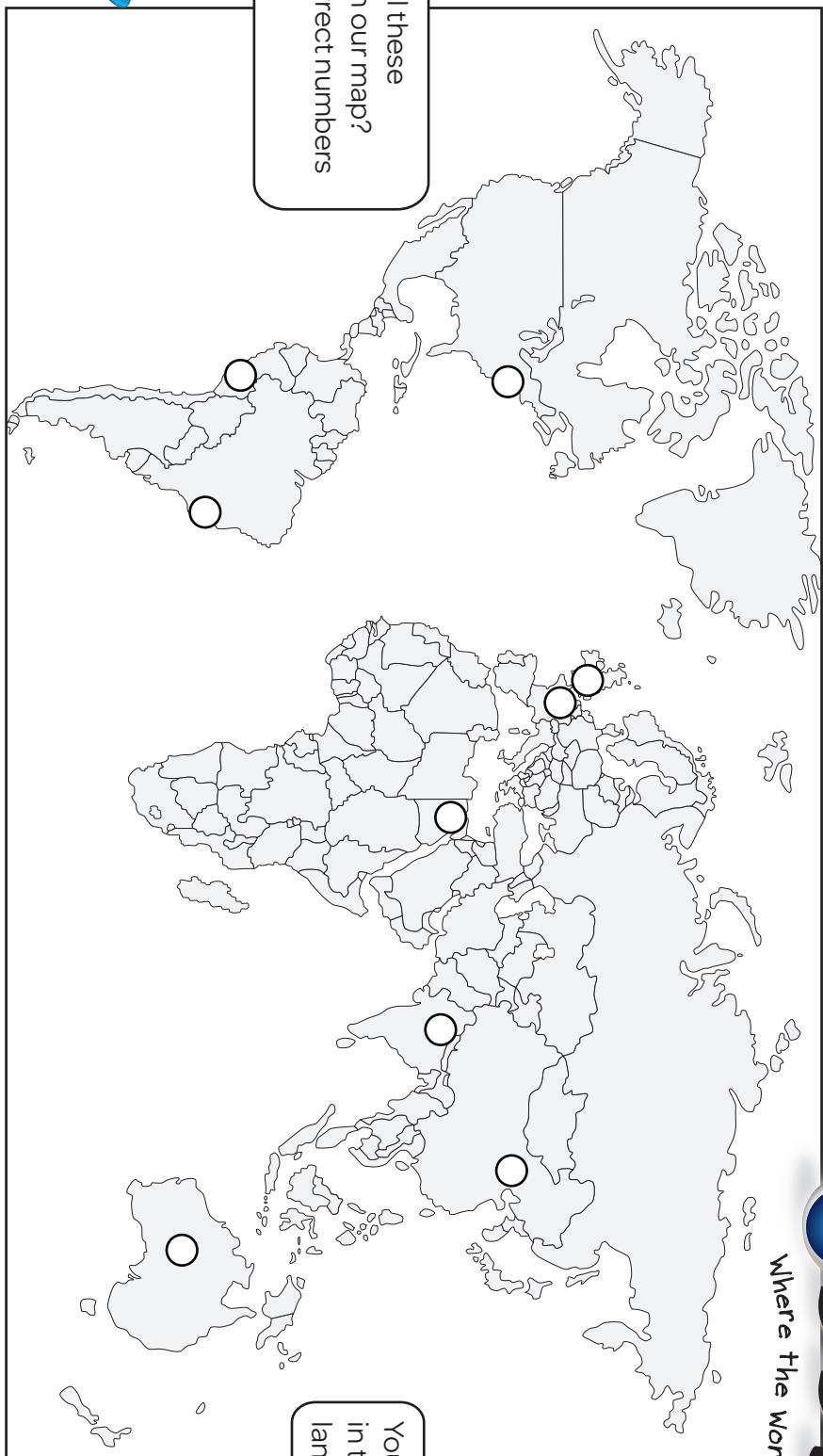
Use the text to help you answer the questions that follow.

# 14. World Landmarks



Where the world comes to life

Can you label these landmarks on our map?  
Write the correct numbers  
in the circles



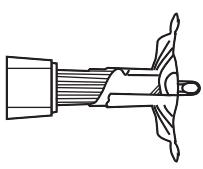
You can also colour  
in the map and the  
landmarks!



1. Ayers Rock



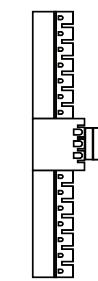
2. Christ the Redeemer



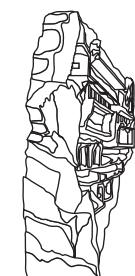
3. Eiffel Tower



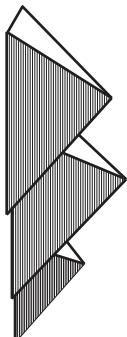
4. Great wall of China



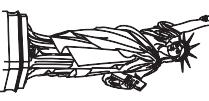
5. Machu Picchu



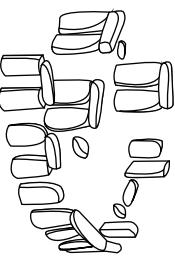
6. Pyramids



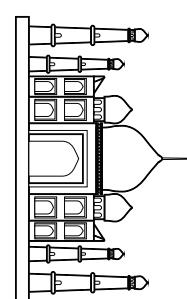
7. Statue of Liberty



8. Stonehenge



9. Taj Mahal



# Oddizzi Club Scavenger Hunt 1



Use Oddizzi to complete the table below.

1. How many countries are in Africa?	2. Draw South Africa's flag.	3. What's the longest river in North America?
4. Name a physical feature found in Mexico.		5. Name the smallest country in Europe.
6. Name the village in Lithuania that is the geographical centre of Europe.	7. Name a famous rainforest.	8. When did Christopher Columbus discover The Dominic Republic?
9. Name the three key features of mountains.	10. When did Mount Etna (a famous volcano) last erupt?	11. How much food gets wasted across the world? <i>Find the answer in Food and Farming.</i>
12. Name India's capital city.	13. There's information on what festival in Oddizzi's festivals section?	14. Where is the Virtual Safari filmed?

Welcome to Oddizzi's Key Stage 2 guided reading resources. In this pack you will find differentiated non-fiction texts, with follow-up questions and teacher answer sheets.

These resources would work beautifully during a guided reading session with lower Key Stage 2 students, or for pupils in upper Key Stage 2 to use during independent or shared reading. The texts make for strong exemplars to use when studying news articles, persuasive and informative texts. These resources can equally be used during geography lessons.

The two texts have similar content, but are written for different reading levels. The simpler text is identified by the '**Core Text**' note in the footer, while the more challenging text is marked with '**Extension Text**'. The three follow-up activities can be used with both texts.

**The follow-up questions can be used as discussion questions (whole group/small group) or as questions to answer independently.**

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Geography reporters, The Oddzzi Times

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## Why are so many people leaving their homes?

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Many other people have left poor countries like Somalia, in North Africa, to seek a better life in Europe. Where they lived, there were few well-paid jobs.

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## How do they get to Europe?

We take travel for granted – if you live inside the European Union, when you finish school you can live and work anywhere you like within the EU region. There's a choice of 28 countries!

But EU rules stop some other people from coming to Europe. So criminals charge people a lot of money to cross the Mediterranean Sea illegally. These smugglers avoid the major ferry ports, often transporting people in boats that aren't seaworthy or are overloaded.

It's a very dangerous journey. Some people have to be rescued by EU border police ships. Tragically, thousands of lives have been lost in the Mediterranean over the last few years.



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Boats used by smugglers may not be seaworthy



Migrants need help when they reach dry land

## How is Greece affected?

More than 150,000 people have arrived in Greece so far this year. At this time of year, Greeks living on the island of Lesbos would normally be busy getting ready for the arrival of holiday-makers. Instead, the residents are providing first aid and emergency accommodation to the many, many migrants arriving on the island. There are also many volunteers, and they have to stay somewhere too.

When migrants first reach dry land they need clean, dry clothing, food and water. Some people need medical attention as well, so doctors and nurses are on hand.

The Greek government has provided basic shelter in camps for new arrivals while EU officials decide where all of these people can settle.

## Why are so many migrants stuck in Greece?

Not all of the migrants want to stay in Greece – but it is hard for them to move on. Greece's neighbour, Macedonia, has said that migrants aren't welcome there. The Macedonian government has built a new fence to keep the migrants out and shut its border.

Earlier this month, some migrants tried to cross into Macedonia using force. Many of them were hurt when border guards fired tear gas, rubber bullets and stun grenades to stop them.



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Add to this the fact that a lot of children are caught up in this international crisis, and it's obvious that it's an urgent problem.

## So, what's the solution?

Many of the new arrivals in Greece will be allowed to settle in Europe, but not all. Some people are being sent back to Turkey to camps there, while new homes are found. Greece can't cope with the large numbers of migrants arriving on its shores.

Britain has agreed to give a home to some refugees. In December 2015 one thousand Syrians arrived in the UK. Germany has volunteered to take many more.

The migration crisis is a problem that the whole of Europe must work together to sort out.

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These migrants want their children to have the basic things we all take for granted: enough to eat, a chance to go to school and to learn a trade – to have a life.

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We also take travel for granted – if you live inside the European Union, when you finish school you can live and work anywhere you like within the EU region. There's a choice of 28 countries!

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Migrants have tried to cross into Macedonia using force. On one occasion, 2,000 migrants marched to the border. Many of them were hurt when the border guards responded with tear gas, rubber bullets and stun grenades to hold the line.

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Britain has agreed to provide homes for some refugees: people who literally ran for their lives. In December 2015 one thousand Syrians arrived in the UK. Germany has volunteered to take many more. Because of the huge scale of the migration crisis, it is something that the whole of Europe must work together to sort out.

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**1. Why are so many people on the move today?**

**Answer:** wars are forcing people to leave their homes, e.g. in Syria, Afghanistan. In other places, people are living in poverty and therefore move to seek a better life, e.g. leaving countries in North Africa to try to get to Europe.

**2. Why do people living in Somalia and Syria want to get to Greece?**

**Answer:** it's in the EU, it's a safe place, it's close to Turkey so the crossing by boat is short.

**3. How big is this problem?**

**Answer:** huge. In Greece alone, 150,000 people have arrived in just 3 months.

**4. Why are so many lives being lost in the Med?**

**Answer:** people-smugglers are breaking the law, their boats aren't sea-worthy, they overload them and set sail (often abandoning the boats once out at sea) in poor weather conditions.

**5. Why can't all of these people just get on a plane or a boat to make the journey to Europe safely?**

**Answer:** they might not have the right papers/passports as they may have run for their lives – without time to apply for a visa. Also, the numbers of people who want to come to Europe are so great that getting permission to come legally is harder: e.g. there are now camps in Turkey where you can apply for asylum, but the EU would prefer people to stay there while they review their cases. Lastly, these people are desperate – their lives have been very tough to date and they will try anything and/or they may have been misled by people smugglers.

**6. How are all of these arrivals affecting people in Greece?**

**Answer:** the tourist industry is affected because not as many people want to holiday there. Instead, people living on the island of Lesbos are looking after migrants, or volunteers from across Europe who also need somewhere to stay. Note: Greece is itself a poor country and can't afford to help all of the new arrivals on its own.

**7. Why are so many migrants stuck in Greece?**

**Answer:** see relevant paragraph re. example of Greece/Macedonia border.

**8. What's the solution?**

**Answer:** answers may vary. See relevant para.

**9. Why is this a problem for the whole of the EU?**

**Answer:** this crisis throws into question the idea of the 'free movement' of people within the region – a founding idea of the EU. If some areas are receiving so many migrants, e.g. Italy and Greece, and other EU countries are saying that the new arrivals into the region aren't welcome, or if they are putting limits on numbers (as the UK is), then the receiving countries are put under a lot of pressure.

**10. Will this issue affect the UK's EU referendum (in/out vote in June)?**

**Answer:** yes, this is an issue that is being discussed as part of the referendum debate. Some people in the UK are concerned about the number of foreign EU citizens already living and working in the UK – although most of these are in the UK legally and are paying taxes, with many of them doing jobs that Brits don't really want to do. (Other people in the UK are concerned that the UK isn't accepting refugees in large enough numbers to really help Greece and other countries.)

**11. What is the difference between a refugee and an economic migrant?**

**Answer:** see glossary. For people moving into the EU, a refugee is legal, while an economic migrant is illegal, unless they have the particular skills (or wealth) that EU countries require of migrants from outside the EU. Of course, EU citizens who move around for work within the EU can also be termed economic migrants. Asylum-seekers are people who want to be given leave to stay in their chosen country (not their home country), but have not yet been granted permission to stay – they want to gain 'refugee' status.