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Read it!

How much do you know about oceans?

Read our **factfile** on the **Indian Ocean**.

You might like to read this with an adult. Once you have finished complete the activity sheet.

Online investigator



Login to www.oddizzi.com and click on *explore the world - places - Europe - United Kingdom - England*

Watch the **England** film. How many of the features in the film can you name?

Quiz time

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Click on **Quiz** at the top of the page. Find **The Olympics** quiz. We suggest trying **Level 1**.

See how many points you can score!

Daily Walk

When you go outside for your daily walk try and find the following things!

- A pattern in nature
- Something taller than you
- Something you can't photograph
- Something that smells nice

Geography riddle

What doesn't get any wetter no matter how much rain falls on it?

(Answer at the bottom of the page.)



Flags of the world

Draw the flag of **England** (Places - Europe - United Kingdom - England)



England facts

(Places - Europe - United Kingdom - England - Key Facts)

Name the capital city of England.

Who is St George?

What is the highest mountain in England called?

The Indian Ocean is middle-sized: there are two oceans smaller than it and two oceans bigger than it.

This ocean lies between Africa, Asia, Australia and the Southern Ocean. It's important for transport – it connects these parts of the world with Europe and with North and South America. It's also a major source of oil and gas: oil rigs in the middle of the ocean drill into the seabed to reach these.

The Indian Ocean is the world's warmest ocean. You'll find coral reefs here and tropical islands like the Maldives and the Seychelles. In the summer and autumn there are often strong storms (tropical cyclones), caused by the monsoon climate.

Facts



The Indian Ocean

How big?

It covers 28,839,800 square miles (74,694,800 square kilometres)

Average depth?

3,890 metres (12,760 feet): imagine 40 Big Bens stacked on top of each other!

Oceans from smallest to largest:

Arctic, Southern, **Indian**, Atlantic, Pacific

Ocean life

Seals, turtles, great white shark, bottlenose dolphins and sail fish.

Islands in the Indian Ocean

Maldives, Seychelles, Zanzibar, Mauritius, Sri Lanka and Madagascar.

Weather

The Indian Ocean is located along the Equator, where the earth is warmest. Cyclones (tropical storms) form over the warm ocean water each year. They can cause a lot of damage when they hit land.



Islands in the Maldives



Pole and line fishing

Did you know?

Some fishermen in the Indian Ocean use a technique called pole and line fishing. They catch tuna one by one, so no other marine life is harmed and only fish of a certain size are caught. Next time you buy a tin of tuna from the supermarket, take a closer look. Does it have a pole and line logo?

Check your understanding - Indian Ocean

NAME: _____



1. Read the fact page on the Indian Ocean.
2. Answer the questions below.

A. Tick 'true' or 'false' for the statements below.

Statements	True	False
1. Some fishermen use pole and line fishing to catch tuna in the Indian Ocean.		
2. The United Kingdom is an island in the Indian Ocean.		
3. The Indian Ocean is the warmest ocean.		

B. Circle the correct answer.

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| <p>4. What forms over the Indian Ocean?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Northern Lightsb. Cyclonesc. Tornadoes | <p>5. What would you find in the Indian Ocean?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Oil rigsb. Icebergsc. Polar bear | <p>6. Which island would you NOT find in the Indian Ocean?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Icelandb. Madagascarc. Maldives |
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C. Draw three animals you might find in the Indian Ocean.

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D. How would you describe the Indian Ocean?
