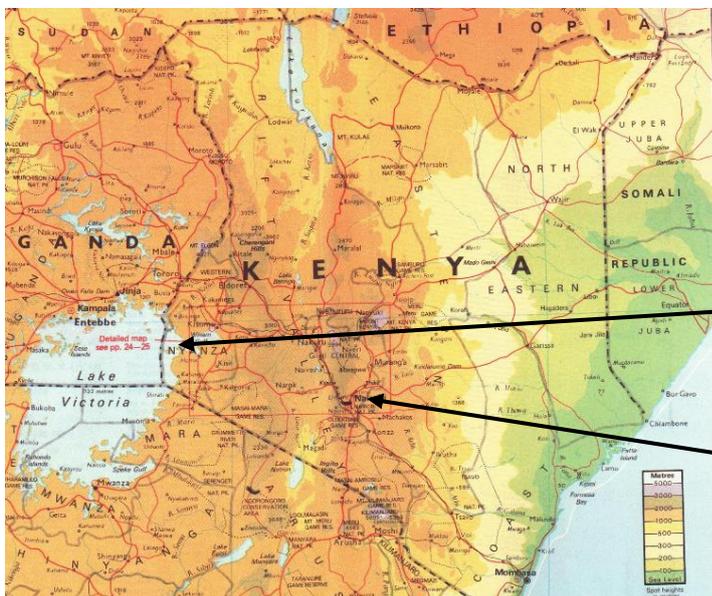


Kenya is a country in East Africa. Although it looks small it is 2 and a half times the size of the United Kingdom (UK).



Kenya

The capital city is called Nairobi. In the west of Kenya is the tip of Lake Victoria. This is a huge lake, like an inland sea and is so big it sits in three African countries! These are Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania.



Lake Victoria

Nairobi

Jasmine's grandfather and daddy were both born in Kenya. Her grandfather, Babu was born in a town called Siaya in Western Kenya and he is part of a tribe called the Luo. When he was little, he lived in a village called Got Regea, where his grandfather was the Chief. Jasmine's daddy, Auntie Becky and Uncle Kenny were born in Nairobi.

Everyone in Kenya speaks a language called Swahili. Most people also speak English and those are the two official languages in Kenya. In total there are 68 languages spoken in Kenya as lots of tribes have their traditional languages. Babu's traditional language is Dholuo.



This is a picture of Jasmine's daddy when he was 4 years old. He is going on a safari, which means "journey" in Swahili.

He was visiting Nairobi National Park and saw lions, a rhino, giraffes, buffalo, zebra, ostriches, hippos, baboons, antelopes, warthogs and monkeys!

Jasmine's daddy saw lots of other animals whilst living in Nairobi. Once he found a baby cheetah asleep under a tree when he was on a day out with his family! It was about the same size as a cat and was very cute.

Although he lived in a city, Jasmine's daddy occasionally saw little monkeys in his back garden. There were bullfrogs living nearby and they made a very loud croaking sound. He also found a dried up snake skin after a snake had shed it. Luckily they never found any live snakes!

Another time they found some dead locusts in the garden that had been blown a long way from South Sudan which is another African country north of Kenya. Locusts look like grasshoppers, except they are much bigger at around 10cm long. Locusts cause lots of problems because they eat crops that people have planted.

Now try to use this information to answer some questions.

We would like to thank Jasmine's grandma (Bebe) for sending such a lot of interesting information and photographs. There will be some more next week!

1. Where is Kenya in Africa?

North South East West

2. Lake Victoria is in which 3 African countries?

3. What is the capital city of Kenya? _____

4. Which 3 members of Jasmine's family were born in Nairobi?

5. How many languages are spoken in Kenya?

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6. Babu is Jasmine's grandfather. What is the name of his **traditional language**?

7. What does the word "**safari**" mean in Swahili?

8. Can you name 5 animals that Jasmine's daddy saw on his trip to **Nairobi National Park**?

9. Can you name 3 animals that Jasmine's daddy saw in other parts of the city?

10. How long is a locust? _____