

This is Mount Vesuvius



I live in Naples which is close to Mt Vesuvius.

Naples is in Europe. Europe is in the northern hemisphere.

Here are some facts about Mt Vesuvius.

Height	Base Width	Age
1,281 metres	48.2 km	about 17,000 years

Mt Vesuvius has erupted more than 50 times in the last 2,000 years.

Mt Vesuvius is found in Italy near a city called Naples. It is most famous for its eruption in A.D. 79. It destroyed the nearby town, Pompeii. It covered the city in volcanic ash.

Mt Vesuvius last erupted in 1944. It is rated one of the world's most dangerous volcanoes. Millions of people live close to the volcano.



This is Mt Etna



Here are some facts about Mt Etna.

Height	Base Width	Age
3,322 metres	149.6 km	about 500,000 years

Mt Etna has erupted more than 200 times since the 1500s. It is very active.

I live in Sicily. I can see Mt Etna from my house. Many people come to visit the volcano.

Mt Etna is a volcano found in Sicily, which is an island south of Italy. Mt Etna is close to the town of Catania.

Its most violent eruption was in 1669. Lava from the volcano destroyed many towns and covered parts of Catania. Before 2001, Mt Etna would erupt about once every two years. It has caused many injuries and deaths.



This is Mount Fuji



Mt Fuji is a volcano found near Tokyo, which is a city in Japan. It last erupted in 1707 and this was its most violent eruption. It sent ash clouds over Tokyo and formed a new crater on its base.

Some Japanese people believe Mt Fuji is a special mountain and it is loved for its beauty. It hasn't erupted for many years. It is made up of three separate volcanoes: Fuji, Komitake and Kofuji.



I live in Tokyo. It is the capital city of Japan.

Japan is in the northern hemisphere. It is not very close to the equator.

Here are the facts about Mt Fuji. Many people visit Mt Fuji.

Height	Base Width	Age
3,773 metres	125.5 km	about 100,000 years



This is Cotopaxi



Cotopaxi is a volcano found near Quito in Ecuador. Ecuador is in the continent of South America. It erupted in 1534, 1744 and 1768.

These eruptions caused many problems for surrounding areas and destroyed nearby towns. When this volcano erupts mud and ice are broken from its glacier. This can be harmful to the towns and environment around it. Cotopaxi hasn't erupted for over 70 years.



I live in Quito. If Cotopaxi erupts now, my family and I would need to leave our home.



Here are some facts about Cotopaxi. It is one of the world's highest and most active volcanoes.

Height	Base Width	Age
1,801 metres	22.5 km	unknown

This is Mount St Helens



Here are some facts about Mount St Helens.

Height	Base Width	Age
2,926 metres	9.6 km	more than 40,000 years

Mount St Helens is a volcano south of Seattle, which is a city in Washington State, USA. It is close to a town called Portland.

The biggest eruption was in 1980. Mount St Helens exploded and caused a huge avalanche, which covered major roads and railways in the area. Many houses in towns were destroyed and many people were hurt.

Mount St Helens is still active today.



I live in Portland. It is a town close to Mount St Helens.

Portland is in North America. North America is in the northern hemisphere.



This is Krakatau



Krakatau volcano is an island volcano. It lies in between Java and Sumatra islands in Indonesia. In 1883 it erupted and this was recorded as the biggest volcano eruption in history. It caused huge waves in the ocean that crashed onto the nearby islands and destroyed them. This eruption lasted for two days.

Did you know that Indonesia holds the biggest number of volcanoes? You will find around 130 volcanoes in Indonesia. A lot of these volcanoes are small islands in the ocean.



The equator passes through Indonesia.



Here are some facts about Krakatau.

Height	Base Width	Age
812 metres	1.6 km	born in A.D. 416

Name: _____ Date: _____



Can you answer these questions about Mt Vesuvius and Mt Etna? Use the fact cards to help you.

How high is Mt Vesuvius?

Where is Mt Etna?

What year was Vesuvius's famous eruption and what town did it destroy?

How high is Mt Etna?

Where is Mt Vesuvius?

What year did Mt Etna erupt and what town did it destroy?

Name: _____ Date: _____



Can you answer these questions about Mt Etna, Mt Vesuvius, Mt Fuji and Cotopaxi? Use the fact cards to help you.

What did Mt Vesuvius destroy and how?

Write down one fact about Mt Etna:

What do Japanese people believe about Mt Fuji?

What happens when Cotopaxi erupts?

How many times has Mt Etna erupted?

How high and how old is Cotopaxi?

Name: _____ **Date:** _____



Can you write something interesting about each volcano. Use the fact cards to help you. What did you like reading about?

Mt Vesuvius

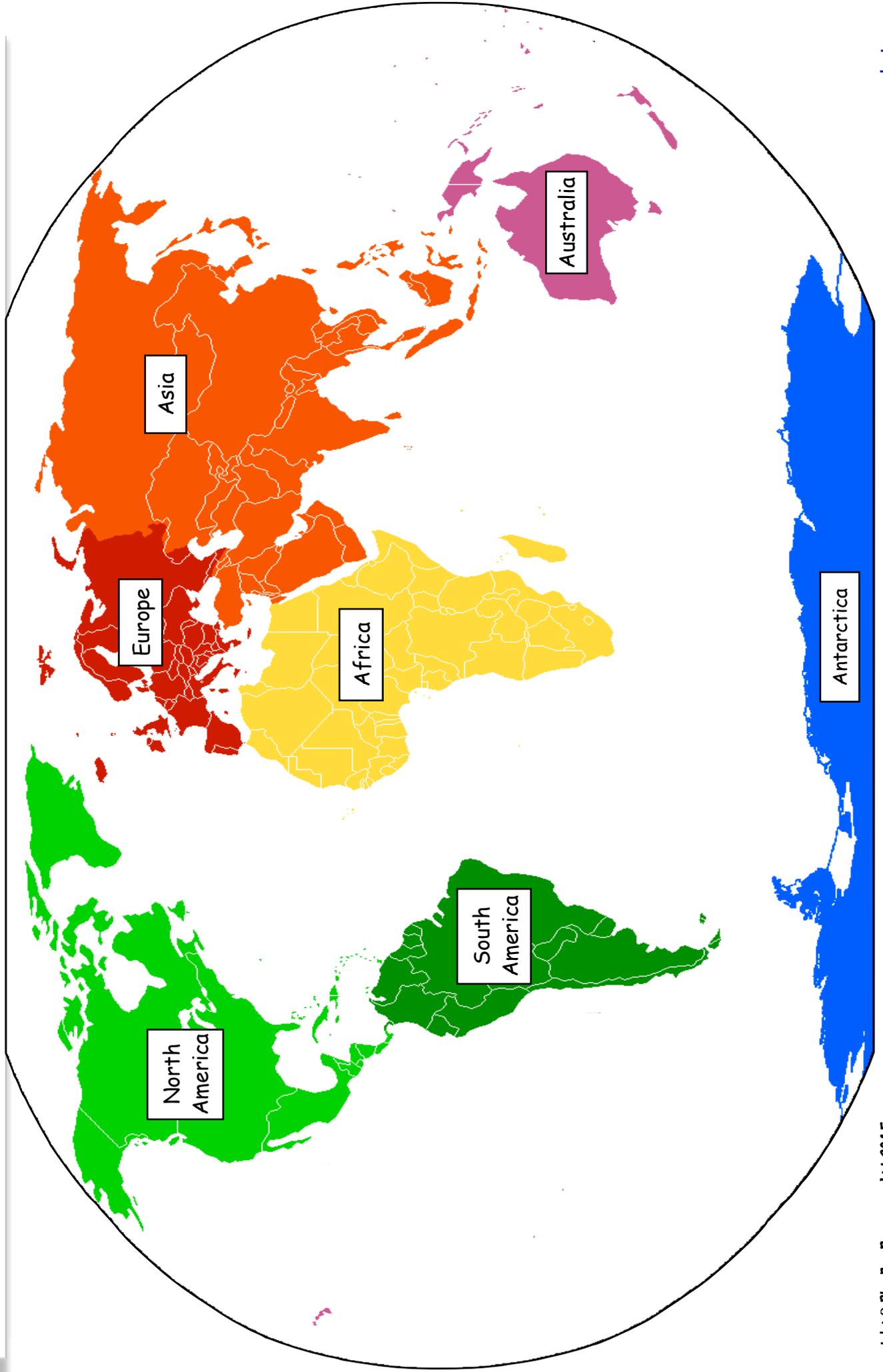
Mt Etna

Mt Fuji

Cotopaxi

Mount St Helens

Krakatau



Name: _____ Date: _____



Can you complete this map challenge?
Use your world map, atlases and books to help you complete these challenges.

Can you read this table? It shows you where some of the volcanoes are in the world.

Volcano	Country	Continent	Symbol
Cotopaxi	Ecuador	South America	●
Hudson	Chile	South America	■
Hekla	Iceland	Europe	▲
Vesuvius	Italy	Europe	◆
Kilimanjaro	Tanzania	Africa	★
Kilauea	Hawaii	-	◼
Krakatau	Sumatra	Asia	○
Mt. Fuji	Japan	Asia	◻

Can you find the eight countries from the table on a world map?
Can you label them on your own world map?

On your world map can you draw the volcano symbols in the country they are found?

Where do you live? _____.

What volcanoes are close to you? _____.

Which volcanoes are in the northern hemisphere?

Which volcanoes are in the southern hemisphere?



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How high is Mt Vesuvius?

1,281 METRES

Where is Mt Etna?

SICILY

What year was Vesuvius's famous eruption and what town did it destroy?

79 A.D. IT DESTROYED THE TOWN OF POMPEII.

How high is Mt Etna?

3,322 METRES

Where is Mt Vesuvius?

ITALY

What year did Mt Etna erupt and what town did it destroy?

1669. IT DESTROYED THE TOWN OF CATANIA.



Can you answer these questions about Mt Etna, Mt Vesuvius, Mt Fuji and Cotopaxi? Use the fact cards to help you.

What did Mt Vesuvius destroy and how?

IT DESTROYED THE NEARBY TOWN OF POMPEII BY BURYING IT UNDER ASH.

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What do Japanese people believe about Mt Fuji?

SOME PEOPLE BELIEVE THAT IT IS A SPECIAL MOUNTAIN, AND IT IS LOVED FOR ITS BEAUTY.

What happens when Cotopaxi erupts?

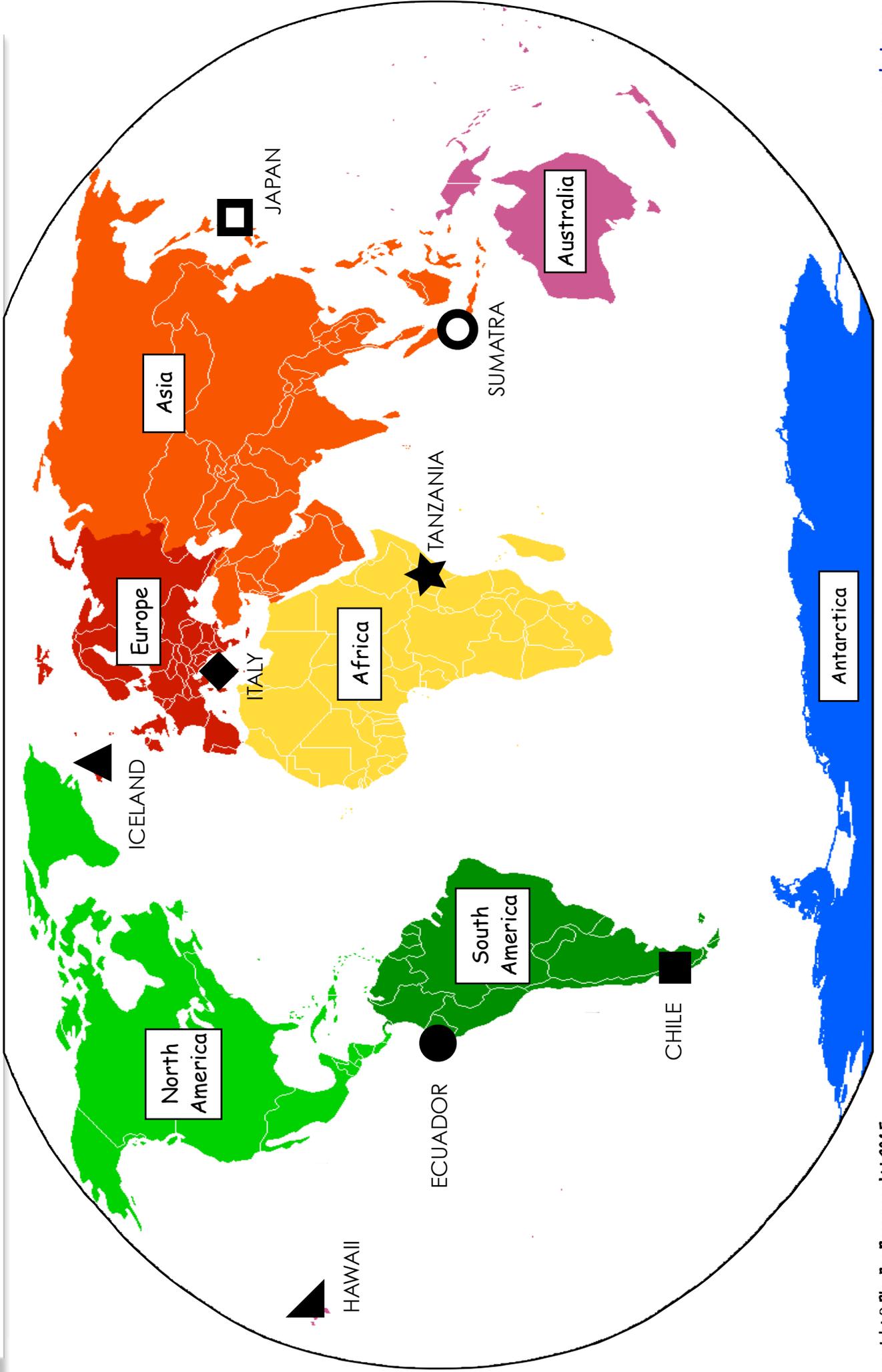
MUD AND ICE BREAK AWAY FROM ITS GLACIER.

How many times has Mt Etna erupted?

MT ETNA HAS ERUPTED MORE THAN 200 TIMES SINCE THE 1500S.

How high and how old is Cotopaxi?

COTOPAXI IS 1,801 METRES TALL. ITS AGE IS UNKNOWN.





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Which volcanoes are in the northern hemisphere?
HEKLA, VESUVIUS, KILAUEA, MT. FUJI

Which volcanoes are in the southern hemisphere?
KRAKATAU, HUDSON, COTOPAXI, KILIMANJARO