

# Unit 1 African Continent

## Fact Box

population: over or under one billion people?  
 population density: over or under 100 people per km<sup>2</sup>?  
 number of countries: over or under 50?  
 total languages spoken: 100-300 / 1000-3000  
 most common language: Igbo / Zulu / Swahili  
 life expectancy: over 60 or under 60?

*Listen and fill in the Fact Box. Then before each chapter read the cultural tendencies, write "+" if that is Japan's cultural tendency or "-" if it is not, then the same for whether it's your personal habit. Write a comment then discuss.*

*Cultural tendencies are stereotypes. Of course, each individual is different. Many don't conform to cultural or national stereotypes.*

<b>Kenyans tend to...</b>	<b>Japan</b>	<b>you</b>	<b>comment</b>
value tradition.			
believe in local nature gods.			
honor ancestors.			
greet by shaking hands.			
feel small talk is important.			
not leave food on their plate.			
serve high status people first at meals.			
greet females by kissing on the cheek.			

<b>Egyptians tend to...</b>	<b>Japan</b>	<b>you</b>	<b>comment</b>
bargain for lower prices.			
fast during Ramadan, the holy month.			
highly value hospitality.			
not open gifts when received.			
remove shoes when entering a house.			
define status by background, not wealth.			
use hand gestures while speaking.			

<b>South Africans tend to...</b>	<b>Japan</b>	<b>you</b>	<b>comment</b>
often say "I'm sorry."			
be punctual.			
avoid controversy.			
offer to help clean up after eating a meal.			
wear dark suits for work.			
wear casual clothes outside work.			