

**SS7G3** The student will explain the impact of location, climate, and physical characteristics on population distribution in Africa.

a. Explain how the characteristics in the Sahara, Sahel, savanna, and tropical rain forest affect where people live, the type of work they do, and how they travel.

**Essential Question:** How do the characteristics in the Sahara, Sahel, savanna, and tropical rain forest affect where people live, the type of work they do, and how they travel?

	<b>Characteristics</b>	<b>Live</b>	<b>Work</b>	<b>Travel</b>
Sahara	Dry; Oasis (Spring in the desert) is the only fertile areas	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Along the Mediterranean Coast</li> <li>2. Lower Nile</li> <li>3. Oasis in the desert</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. On the Mediterranean Coast, they work in tourism</li> <li>2. On the Nile they farm</li> <li>3. Near Oasises, Berbers are nomadic herders of sheep and goats</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In the cities by car and bus.</li> <li>2. On the Nile by boat</li> <li>3. In the middle of the desert, they move by dromedary or camel; also use trucks</li> </ol>
Sahel	Short grassland south of the Sarah; reaches from Red Sea to Atlantic Ocean	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Most people live along the rivers; the Upper Nile in the east and the Niger in the west</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Herd sheep which causes overgrazing and desertification</li> <li>2. Farm: peanuts and millet for cash crops</li> <li>3. Subsistent farming</li> <li>4. mining (urannium)</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. boats on the rivers</li> <li>2. trucks, cars on the highways build through the Sahel</li> <li>3. buses in the cities</li> <li>4. Camels and dromedaries are still in use</li> </ol>

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Savanna	Tall Grassland	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Most people live in the cities</li> <li>2. Farmers and herders live in the rural areas</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. People in the city work in factories</li> <li>2. Farmers live and Herders (goats and cows) in the rural areas most live near rivers</li> <li>3. Also many people work in the tourist industry as guides, at hotels, and restaurants</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In cities by car and bus</li> <li>2. In the rural area, cars, trains, trucks</li> <li>3. People use jeeps and buses for the tourists</li> </ol>
Rain Forest	Thick vegetation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. People live small in villages within walking distances of the rivers and streams</li> <li>2. With deforestation, towns are being built</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Traditionally the forest people are hunter-gatherers.</li> <li>2. Deforestation has created jobs for forestry workers, farming, and mining</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Traditional people walk and use boats for transportation</li> <li>2. With the deforestation, roads are being built allowing for cars and trucks</li> </ol>