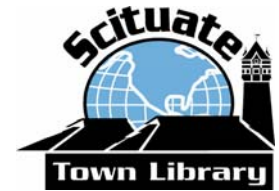


# Continent in Crisis

## Topic Guide



### Environmental Issues

- Pollution
  - Cairo (Egypt)
  - Lagos (Nigeria)
- Deforestation
  - Congo Rainforest
  - Serengeti – Tanzania
  - Sudano-Sahel region
    - Ethiopia
    - Senegal
    - Mauritania
    - Mali
    - Niger
    - Nigeria
    - Chad
    - Sudan
- International Tropical Timber Association (ITTA)
- Endangered Species
  - Poaching
    - Elephant ivory – East Africa
    - Rhino horn
    - Lions
    - Gorillas
    - Cheetahs
  - Bushmeat industry
    - Congo basin
  - Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)
- Desertification
  - Kenya
  - Lake Chad
  - Congo Basin
- United Nations Environment Program (UNEP)
- International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN)
- Protected Land
  - Garamba National Park – Congo
  - Tsavo East national Park – Kenya
  - Kruger national Park – South Africa
  - Botswana's Chobe Reserve & Okavango Delta

### Muslim Africa

- Algeria
- Somalia
- Sudan
- Nigeria

### Civil Wars

- Algeria 1992-2002
- Chad 1979-1982
- Sudan 1955-1972, 1983-2005, 2003-present
- Ethiopia 1974-1991
- Somalia 1991-present
- Uganda 1987-present
- Congo 1996 – present
- Rwanda 1994
- Burundi 1993-2005
- Angola 1974-2002
- Mozambique 1974-1992
- Zimbabwe 1971-1980
- Guinea Bissau 1998-1999
- Sierra Leone 1991-2001
- Liberia 1989-1996, 1999-present
- Nigeria 1967-1970
- Ivory Coast 2002-present

### Important people

- Joseph Desire Mobutu / Mobutu Sese Seko – Democratic Republic of the Congo
- Sekou Toure – Guinea
- Danial Arop Moi -- Kenya
- Samuel Doe – Liberia
- General Sani Abacha – Nigeria
- Idi Amin – Uganda
- Siaka Stevens – Sierra Leone
- Robert Mugabe – Zimbabwe
- Maxamed Siyaad Barre (Siad Barre) – Somalia
- Nelson Mandela – South Africa

## Human Rights

- Poverty
  - South and East Africa
  - Kenya – Drought
  - Ethiopia -- Famine
- Women’s Rights
  - Rape & warfare
  - World Health Organization
- Children’s Rights
  - Torture
  - Child Soldiers
    - West Africa and Central Africa
    - Ivory Coast, Uganda, Sierra Leone, Democratic Republic of the Congo
  - Coalition to Stop the Use of Child Soldiers
  - UNICEF
- International Criminal Court (ICC)
- Genocide
  - Rwanda
- Human Rights Watch
- African Court on Human and People’s Rights (ACHPR)

## Health Issues

- AIDS – all of Africa
- Tuberculosis – All of Africa
- Ebola
  - Sudan
  - Democratic Republic of the Congo
- Measles – All of Africa
- Polio
  - West Africa
- Insect-related diseases
  - Trypanosomiasis (Sleeping Sickness)
  - Malaria
    - Abuju Declaration
  - Dengue Fever
    - Prevalent in East Africa
  - Leishmaniasis
  - Yellow Fever
    - Epidemics in Kenya and Liberia
  - Bubonic Plague
  - Onchocerciasis (River blindness)
- Waterborne diseases
  - Cholera
  - Dysentery
  - Rotavirus
  - Typhoid Fever
- World Health Organization (WHO)

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### PLACES to LOOK for KEYWORDS

- *World Book Encyclopedia*
- Your text book
- Dictionary/Thesaurus
- Other Reference books
- Kids Click -- <http://www.kidsclick.org/>
- Awesome Library --  
<http://www.awesomelibrary.org/>
- Wikipedia – <http://www.wikipedia.com>

### TIPS for FINDING KEYWORDS

- Look for important people
  - Ex: Leaders, Dictators
- Are you interested in a specific time period?
- Are you interested in a specific region or country?
- Are there other ways to describe your topic?
  - Example topic: AIDS
    - Think **BIGGER** – Pandemics, epidemics, STDs
    - Think **SMALLER**-- drug treatment, AIDS education
    - Think **RELATED** – World Health Organization (WHO)

**Write down your keywords!**  
**You'll need them to find information in your sources!**



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