

# Creating Mind maps

## Objective:-

- 1) To create a mind map of their impressions of the continent of Africa

## The students will:

- Participate in a class discussion of their impressions of Africa
- Work in groups to continue the discussion
- Work together as a class to create a mind map
- Decide how they wish to display their ideas

## Cross Curricular Links

KS3 Citizenship

## Starter Activity

Explain what a mind map is. (See Resource Sheet)

## Development

Break into groups of 5 or 6 and discuss what they think are the defining features of the continent. (See work sheets 1 and 2. 1 is for less able learners, and 2 is for the more advanced)

Each group presents their ideas to the class.

## Plenary / Extension Work

Lead the class as they create a giant mind map around the word 'Africa.'

How to display your work.

There are several different ways:

- Create your work in a Microsoft Word or Powerpoint document.
- Do the work by hand and then scan
- Use an interactive whiteboard

## Extension - Making more of the mind map

The class may illustrate the ideas on their mind map by placing photographs, illustrations, and links to relevant websites.

For example, they can:

- Take photographs to illustrate their ideas using the digital camera and upload them.
- Scan photographs and pictures out of books and magazines.
- Copy quotes from literature, magazines or newspapers which are good representations of their views.
- Write up quotes from the class discussion.
- Write their own one-line statements.
- Write short opinion pieces.
- Write short poems.