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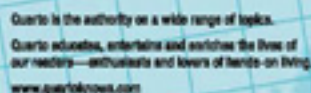
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WESTERN EUROPE

Western Europe stretches from France in the west to Austria in the east. It includes the two large countries of France and Germany, and many smaller countries around them.



Eiffel Tower

Climb almost 300 metres to the top of the Eiffel Tower for a spectacular view of Paris.

Winter sports

Spend the winter skiing or snowboarding in the Alps mountains. They're a brilliant place for winter sports.



Tour de France

Take part in the world's greatest bike race. You'll cycle around 3,500 kilometres in three weeks.

FAST FACTS

Biggest country (by area): France
Smallest country: Liechtenstein
Longest bike race: Tour de France
Best chocolate: Belgium, Switzerland
Most crowded city: Berlin



Cheese-making

Try making some cheese in the Netherlands. The most popular kinds are Edam and Gouda.

Atlantic Ocean

North Sea

THE NETHERLANDS

Baltic Sea

BELGIUM

FRANCE

GERMANY

LUXEMBOURG

SWITZERLAND

LIECHTENSTEIN

AUSTRIA

ANDORRA

Mediterranean Sea

CORSICA



Atomium

Amsterdam

Windmills and tulips

Rotterdam

Antwerp

Brussels

Waffles

Bread and cheese

River Seine

Vineyards

Skiing

Lyon

Geneva

Lavender fields

River Rhone

Marseilles

Perfume

Nice

Frankfurt

River Rhine

Hiking

Munich

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Vaduz

Water sports

Vienna

River Danube

Brandenburg Gate

Football

Cologne Cathedral

Currywurst

Super sausages

Sausages are very popular in Germany. There are lots of different kinds, such as bratwurst and currywurst.

Neuschwanstein Castle

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SOUTHERN ASIA

The southern part of Asia is crowded and full of colour. There are many different religions and cultures, with festivals almost every day. India is the biggest country in Southern Asia.

FAST FACTS

Biggest city: Mumbai, India
Smallest country: Bhutan
Holiest river: River Ganges
Most popular religion: Hinduism
Most popular sport: Cricket



Bollywood

Catch a film in India. Hundreds of action-packed films are made in 'Bollywood' every year.



Archery

Pick up a bamboo bow and arrow, and have a go at archery. It's the national sport of Bhutan.

Monsoon

Have your umbrella ready. In summer, it pours down with rain. This is called the monsoon.



Hindu gods

Most people in India are Hindus. They worship many gods, such as Ganesh, the elephant god.



Elephant parade

Watch decorated elephants parade through the streets of Kandy in Sri Lanka at festival time.



Taj Mahal

Be amazed by the Taj Mahal in Agra, India. This marble tomb was built by an Indian emperor in memory of his wife.

