

**12 ACROSS**

The capital of this Southern European country is Rome. It looks like a boot.

GIANT CROSSWORD

# Countries of the World

**9 DOWN**

The capital of this Southeast Asian country is Jakarta. It is located between the equator and the Tropic of the Sun.

**17 DOWN**

This large Southeast Asian country is made up of many islands. Its capital is Jakarta.

■ Use the clue cards and fill in the missing words. Look at a world map to help you!

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## Countries of the World – Clue Cards



### 2 ACROSS

This country in East Asia has a very long history and a very large population. The capital city is Beijing.

### 6 ACROSS

The people in this country speak English. It has two big islands, and it is closest to Australia.

### 7 ACROSS

This small Middle Eastern country borders Syria, Jordan, and Israel. The people there speak Arabic.

### 8 ACROSS

This country is located in the southern part of Africa. It borders Botswana and Mozambique. The capital is Harare.

### 10 ACROSS

This Eastern European country borders Germany to the west, and Belarus to the east. The people there speak Polish.

### 12 ACROSS

The capital of this Southern European country is Rome. It looks like a boot.

### 15 ACROSS

Its capital is Madrid. It is located south of France. It also borders Portugal.

### 16 ACROSS

This Northern European country is situated between Norway to the east and Finland to the west. The capital is Stockholm.

### 18 ACROSS

Many people refer to this European country as Holland. Its capital is Amsterdam. The people there speak Dutch.

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### 20 ACROSS

This South American country borders Columbia, Brazil and Guyana. The capital is Caracas.

### 22 ACROSS

This North African country is home to the Great Pyramids. It borders Libya and Sudan. The capital is Cairo.

### 23 ACROSS

This Asian country is located between India to the south and China to the north. The capital is Kathmandu.

### 26 ACROSS

This Northern European country borders Sweden to the East. The capital is Oslo.

### 27 ACROSS

The people in this large South American country speak Portuguese. Its capital is Brasilia.

### 28 ACROSS

This large North American country shares a border with the U.S.A. The people there speak English and French.

### 1 DOWN

Use this card to model the activity!

This very small island country is situated in Asia, near Malaysia and Indonesia. Most of the people there speak English.

### 3 DOWN

This cold island country is located between Northern Europe and Greenland. The capital is Reykjavik.

### 4 DOWN

This small Central American country is located between Costa Rica and Columbia. Its capital shares its name with the country.

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### 5 DOWN

This Eastern European country is located east of Austria. The capital is Budapest.

### 7 DOWN

This North African country is located between Algeria to the west and Egypt to the east. Its capital is Tripoli.

### 9 DOWN

The capital of this Southeast Asian country is Bangkok. It is located between Myanmar and Cambodia. The people there speak Thai.

### 11 DOWN

This Southeast Asian country is south of China and north of Thailand. The capital is Vientiane.

### 13 DOWN

This country is located between Sweden to the west and Russia to the East. The capital is Helsinki.

### 14 DOWN

The people of this European country are called Swiss. The capital is Berne.

### 17 DOWN

This large Southeast Asian country is made up of many islands. Its capital is Jakarta.

### 19 DOWN

This country is located in the most southern part of Africa.

### 21 DOWN

This large North African country is located between Libya and Morocco.

## Countries of the World – Clue Cards



### 22 DOWN

This South American country is located on the Equator. The capital is Quito.

### 24 DOWN

The capital of this European country is Vienna. It is located near Germany.

### 25 DOWN

This large South Asian country has a very large population. The capital is New Delhi.

**Aims** Vocabulary practice; listening and speaking practice; practice reading (and giving) definitions

**Level** Intermediate to Advanced

**Time** Approximately 25 – 30 minutes

## ANSWER KEY

### *Across words*

2. China
6. New Zealand
7. Lebanon
8. Zimbabwe
10. Poland
12. Italy
15. Spain
16. Sweden
18. Netherlands
20. Venezuela
22. Egypt
23. Nepal
26. Norway
27. Brazil
28. Canada

### *Down words*

1. Singapore
3. Iceland
4. Panama
5. Hungary
7. Libya
9. Thailand
11. Laos
13. Finland
14. Switzerland
17. Indonesia
19. South Africa
21. Algeria
22. Ecuador
24. Austria
25. India

## ACTIVITY Suggestions

### Version 1) As a Whole-Class Memory Activity

1. Cut up the Clue Cards before class and then distribute them evenly among your students. In classes with few students, some students will have more than one card – in classes with many students, some students may have to share cards.
2. Ask your students to memorize their cards, even if they are unsure about the meaning of the words. Have them return the cards to you after they have memorized their card.
3. Tell your students that their words are the answers to a crossword puzzle, and that you will give them just a few minutes to stand up and ask their classmates what their clue was. Their task is to complete the crossword within a given time frame that you set (e.g. 15 minutes). This is a challenging but very fun activity, one which encourages student bonding through cooperation.

### Version 2) As a Small Group Activity

If it isn't practical to have all your students up and about, or if you think the above activity may be too challenging for your learners, simply prepare sets of cards for your learners who can sit together in groups of three or four. They can then turn over the clue cards one by one to complete the puzzle.

### **IMPORTANT!**

Make sure your learners have access to a world map (in English) to help them complete the puzzle. Consider projecting a world map on a wall during the activity – or hanging a map on the wall.