



South Asia

South Asia is a region that is made up of seven countries. India, Pakistan and Bangladesh are the largest in population. The other four countries—Bhutan, Nepal, the Maldives and Sri Lanka—have large populations, too, but are very small in size.

South Asia is one of the world's most crowded regions. The area has a population of about 1.5 billion. India has the largest population within this region. It is home to more than 1 billion people.

There are several huge, crowded cities in South Asia. Mumbai, India, is one of the largest cities in the world. It has a population of over 19 million.



A. Complete each sentence by unscrambling the word under the line. Use the information above and the map of South Asia on page 29 to help you.

- South Asia is made up of seven _____.
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- This region is home to more than 1.5 _____ people.
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- The country of _____ has the largest population.
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- Pakistan is the _____-largest country in size in South Asia.
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- The largest city in this region is _____.
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- The _____ is a country made up of small islands.
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- The countries of Pakistan, Nepal, Bhutan and _____ each share a border with India.
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- The island nation of _____ is found off the southern tip of India.
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- B.** On the map below, use blue to circle the Maldives. Then colour each of the other countries a different colour. Write three facts about South Asia on the lines under the map. Use the information on page 28 to help you.



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