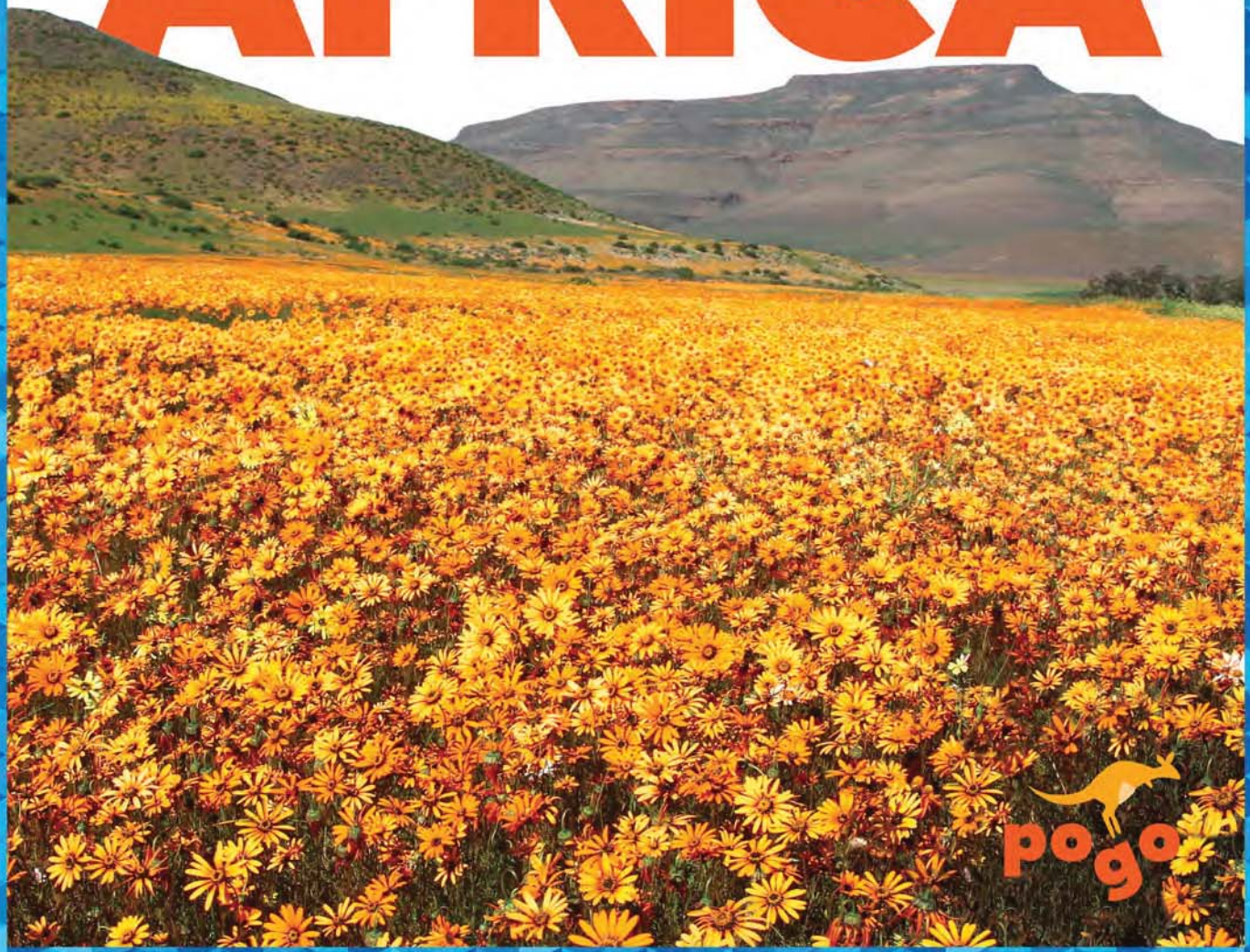
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Before Reading

- "Walk" through the book and point out the various nonfiction features. Ask the student what purpose each feature serves.
- Look at the glossary together. Read and discuss the words.

Read the Book

- Have the child read the book independently.
- Invite him or her to list questions that arise from reading.

After Reading

- Discuss the child's questions. Talk about how he or she might find answers to those questions.
- Prompt the child to think more. Ask: Did you know about Nelson Mandela before reading this book? What more would you like to learn about him?

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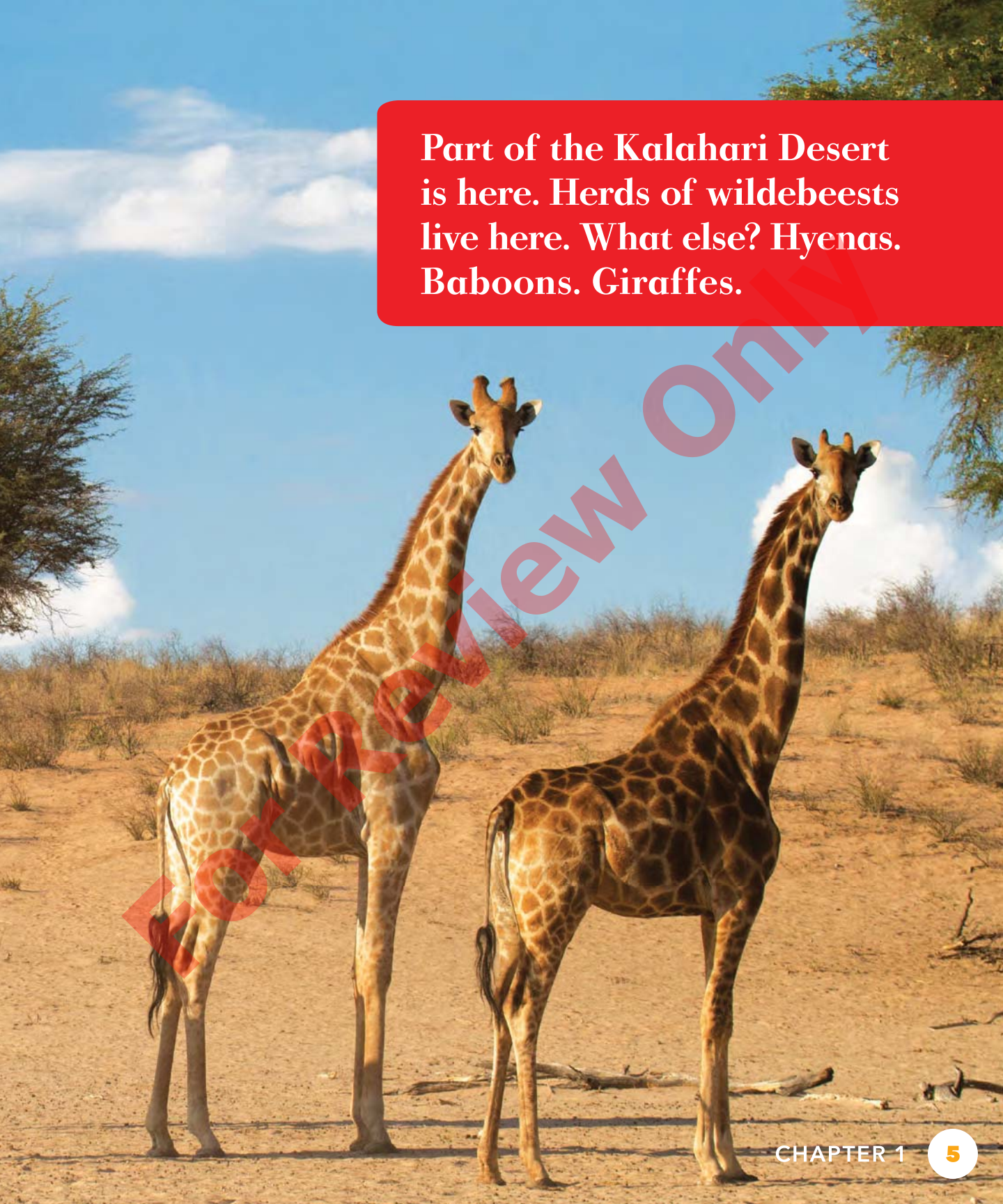
CHAPTER 1

WELCOME TO SOUTH AFRICA!

Ride in a kombi. Taste potjiekos. Spot African penguins on Boulders Beach. Welcome to South Africa!



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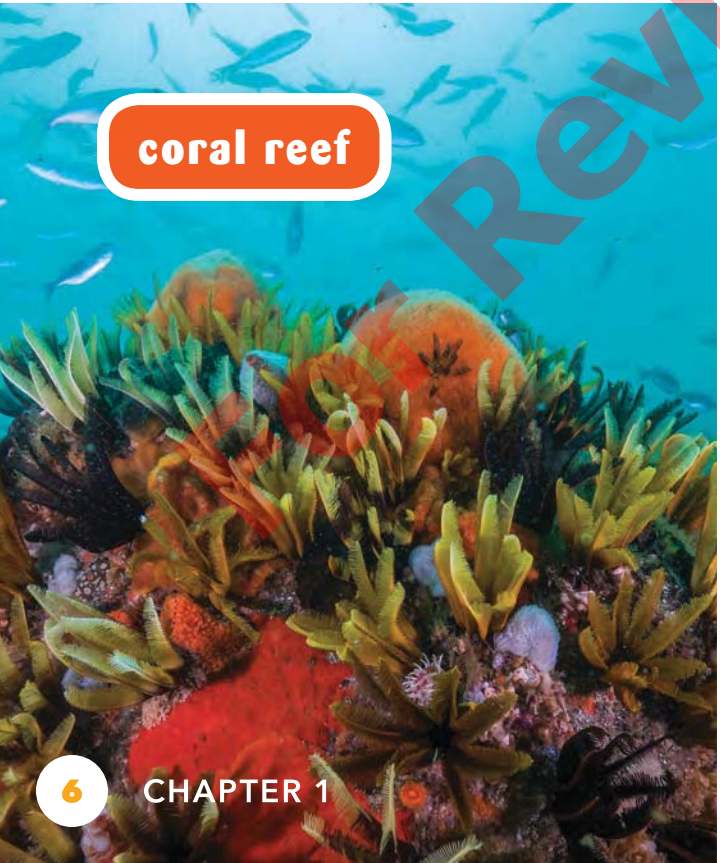


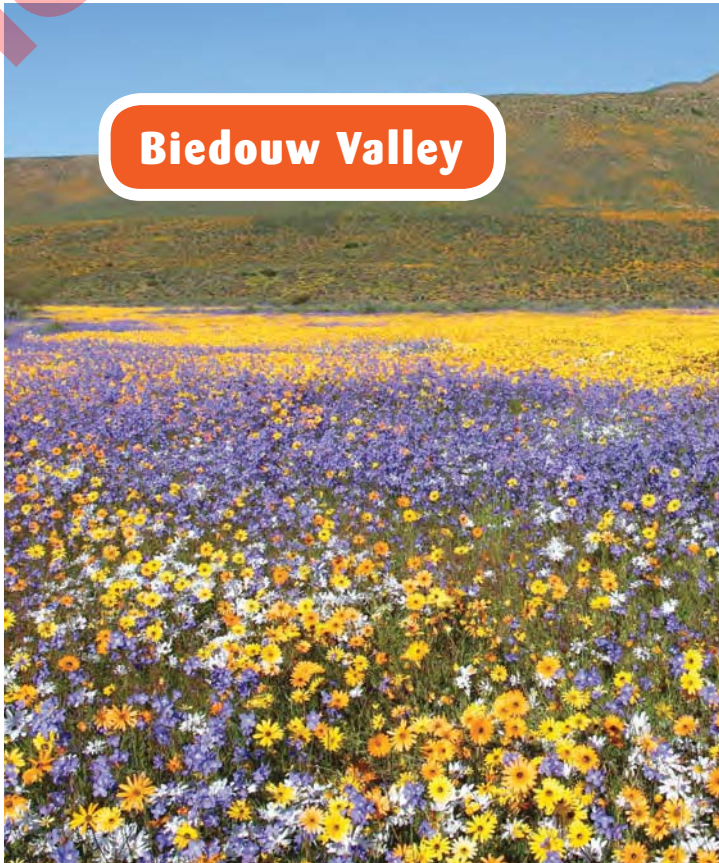
Part of the Kalahari Desert is here. Herds of wildebeests live here. What else? Hyenas. Baboons. Giraffes.

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This country has many **ecosystems**. Sandy beaches. Lakes. Swamps. Coral reefs. iSimangaliso Wetland Park is home to all of these. More than 6,500 kinds of plants and animals live here. Elephants. Hippos. Lions. Zebras.

Many flowering plants grow in South Africa. How many? More than 20,000 types. Many bloom in Biedouw Valley after spring rains.

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DID YOU KNOW?

South Africa completely surrounds the country of Lesotho. It sits on a high **plateau**.



Cape Town is one of South Africa's **capitals**. It is at the base of Table Mountain. The city is along the coast. A **harbor** is here. Some people live on boats!

South Africa has three capitals. Cape Town is where lawmakers work. Pretoria is where the **president** works. The highest courts are in Bloemfontein.



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QUICK FACTS & TOOLS

AT A GLANCE



SOUTH AFRICA

Location: southern Africa

Size: 470,693 square miles (1,219,090 square kilometers)

Population: 55,380,210 (July 2018 estimate)

Capitals: Cape Town, Pretoria, Bloemfontein

Type of Government: parliamentary republic

Languages: 11 official languages, including Zulu, Xhosa, Afrikaans, and English

Exports: gold, diamonds, platinum

Currency: rand

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