Imigongo is a traditional art. It's made using cow poop!

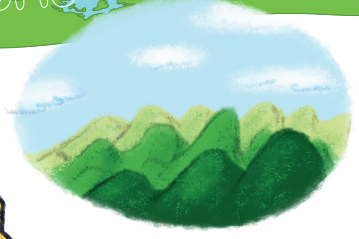
Turn the page to make your own version! (Minus the poop.)

DISCOVER RWANDA

Rwanda is famous for its mountain gorillas. Every year, there's a special baby naming ceremony for the newborn gorillas.

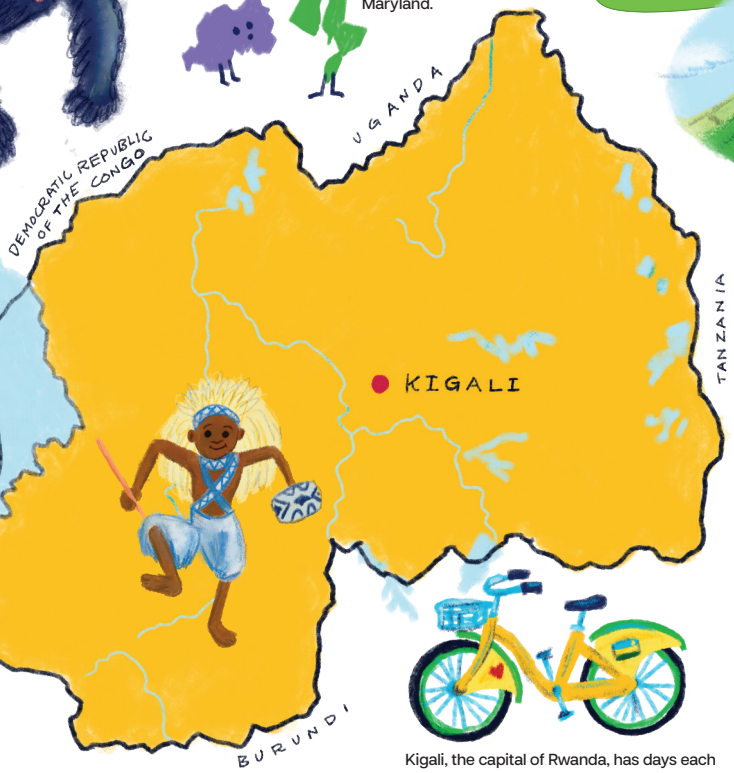
Explorer extra: What would you name a baby gorilla?

Rwanda is slightly smaller than Maryland.



Rwanda is called the "Land of a Thousand Hills." With 374 named mountains, it's a land made for climbing adventures!

Rwanda was the first country in the world to have more women than men working to make laws. Today 63% of the people making laws are women.



Umuganda means "working together." On the last Saturday of each month, adults must help clean the streets, plant trees or do other activities to help their communities. Kids sometimes help too!

Explorer Extra: What could you do to help your community?

There are eight volcanoes in Rwanda, but only two of them are active.

Music and dance are big parts of Rwandan culture. The most famous dance has three parts: the dance of heroes, the cow dance and drumming.

Explorer extra: What's your favorite way to celebrate?

Kigali, the capital of Rwanda, has days each month when you can't drive a car. Everyone is encouraged to walk or ride a bicycle.

Explorer extra: Would you rather walk or ride a bicycle?

Stats

	Rwanda	United States
Population	13,950,000	339,665,118
People Living Below Poverty Line	52%	15.1%
Languages	Kinyarwanda, French, English, Kiswahili, other	English, Spanish, Chinese, other
Religions	Christian 95.9% Muslim 2.1% other 1% none 1.1%	Protestant 46.5% none/other 26.1% Roman Catholic 20.8% Jewish 1.9% Mormon 1.6% Muslim 0.9% Jehovah's Witnesses 0.8% Buddhist 0.7% Hindu 0.7%
Typical Family Income	**$2,600** per year	**$63,700** per year

Kids in poverty often live in unsafe houses.

Compassion helps families build new homes or make their homes safer.

Many kids get sick with malaria from mosquitos.

Compassion gives families mosquito nets and teaches how to get rid of places where mosquitos live.