

REGIONAL GROUPS AND ETHNIC GROUPS

People belong to ethnic groups and regional groups such as African-Caribbean, Asian, Latin American, North African, Scandinavian, Southern African, European, Arabic. These can be used as countable nouns or as adjectives. Many Europeans enjoy travelling to the Far East to experience Asian cultures. Arabic culture extends across a vast region of North Africa and the Middle East.

People speak dialects as well as languages. Everyone has a native language or first language (sometimes called mother tongue); many have second and third languages. Some people are expert in more than one language and are bilingual or multilingual. People who only know one language are monolingual.

A- FAMOUS NAMES. Can you name a famous ...

- 1- Argentinian sportsman or woman?
- 2 Italian opera singer?
- 3 Spanish actor?
- 4 Irish rock-music band?
- 5 South African political leader?
- 6 American golfer?
- 7- Australian singer?

B- OVER TO YOU Complete the sentences so that they are true for you.

- 1 I am (nationality)
- 2 My first language is
- 3 I speak (number)..... language(s) fluently, so I am
- 4 My ethnic/ regional group is
- 5 I have visited these countries:
- 6 I would like to travel to
- 7 One language I would like to learn is .
- 8 I've never been to these two countries:and