



Country Profiles

Adventure abroad! This series takes young explorers on a world tour. Readers will stop at famous landmarks, meet new people groups, and experience unique customs and holidays. To further celebrate cultural diversity, these books teach how to speak foreign words, cook staple foods, and play traditional games.

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Reading Level: Grades 3-4

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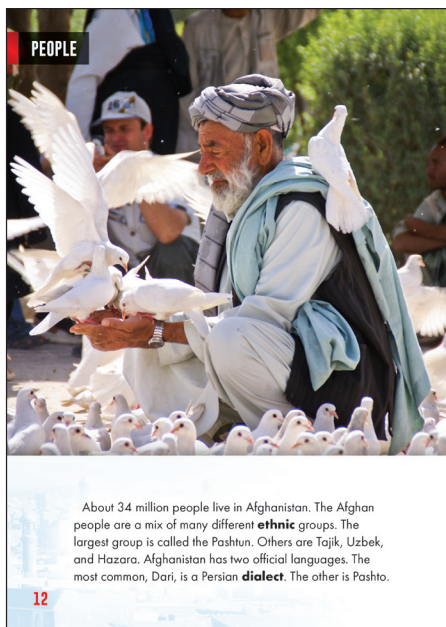
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Key Features:

- **Consistent style and structure** adds familiarity to a more advanced reading experience for those who have completed the levels of *Blastoff! Readers*
- **Social studies** is presented in a high-interest and relevant way
- **Narrative openings** take readers to major landmarks
- **Photo labels** identify specific places, people groups, and animals
- **Captions** further explain photos
- **Landmark sidebars** list top landmarks
- **Detailed country maps** show city locations and physical features
- **World maps** point out continent locations
- **Climate sidebars** show capital city temperatures
- **Animal profiles** show range maps and conservation status bars for popular animals
- **www.factsurfer.com** provides age-appropriate, relevant, and safe search results



Islam is Afghanistan's national religion. People who follow Islam are called Muslims. Long ago Muslims split into two branches, Shi'a and Sunni. Shi'ites follow living **descendants** of Mohammed. Sunnis base their faith on Mohammed's teachings. Most Afghan Muslims are Sunni. The country also has some members of the Sufism faith.

FAMOUS FACE

Name: Fahim Fazi
 Birthday: May 30, 1966
 Hometown: Kabul, Afghanistan
 Famous for: An actor in Iron Man and many other films, he also worked with the U.S. Marines as an interpreter in Afghanistan from 2009-2010.

SPEAK DARI

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|----------------|-------------|----------------------|
| ENGLISH | DARI | HOW TO SAY IT |
| hello | saloom | seh-LAAM |
| goodbye | khoda hafez | kho-DAH hah-fez |
| please | lafam | lah-fahn |
| thank you | tashakkor | tah-shah-KUR |
| yes | bali | BAH-leh |
| no | ne | neh |

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