# Exploring Paris

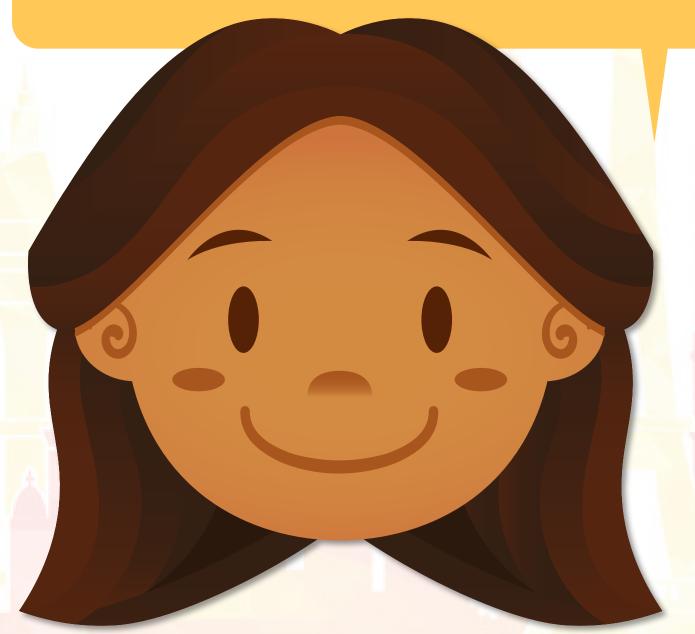
### Learning Objective:

To be able to locate Paris on a map and identify its key geographical features.



# Over the next few lessons we are going to be exploring Paris.

What do you already know about Paris?



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What is it?

Where is it?

What is it like?

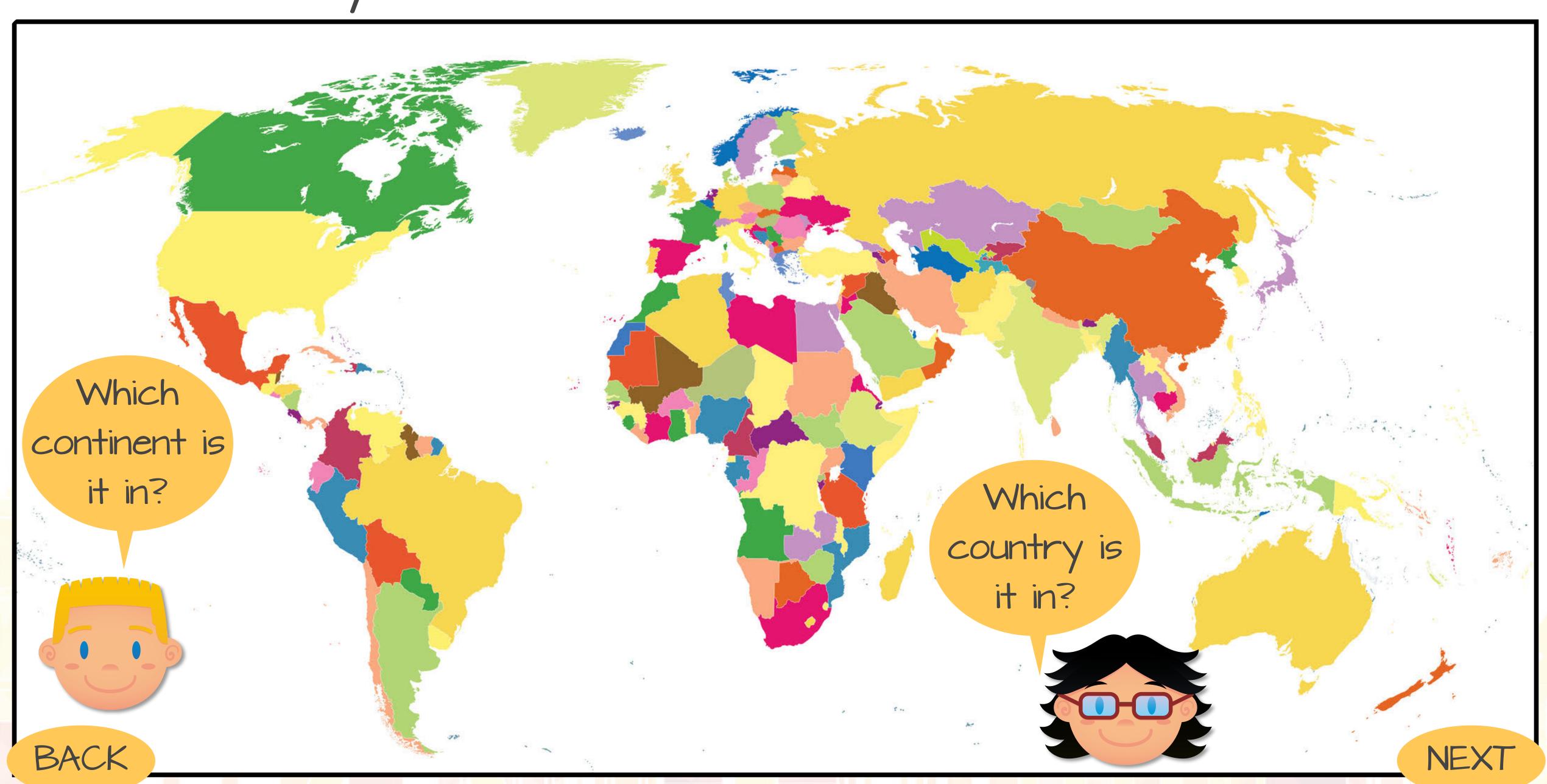
What can you do there?

What can you see there?

What is the climate like there?

Think, pair, share your ideas.

#### Do you know where in the world Paris is?



Paris is the capital city of France. France is a country in the continent of Europe.







Do you know any of the countries surrounding France?



Here is a more detailed map of Europe. Can you see Paris?

Which other countries and cities can you see?





What seas and oceans surround France?





Paris is the capital city of France which means it is the largest and most important city in the country. The capital city of a country is where the government runs the country from.

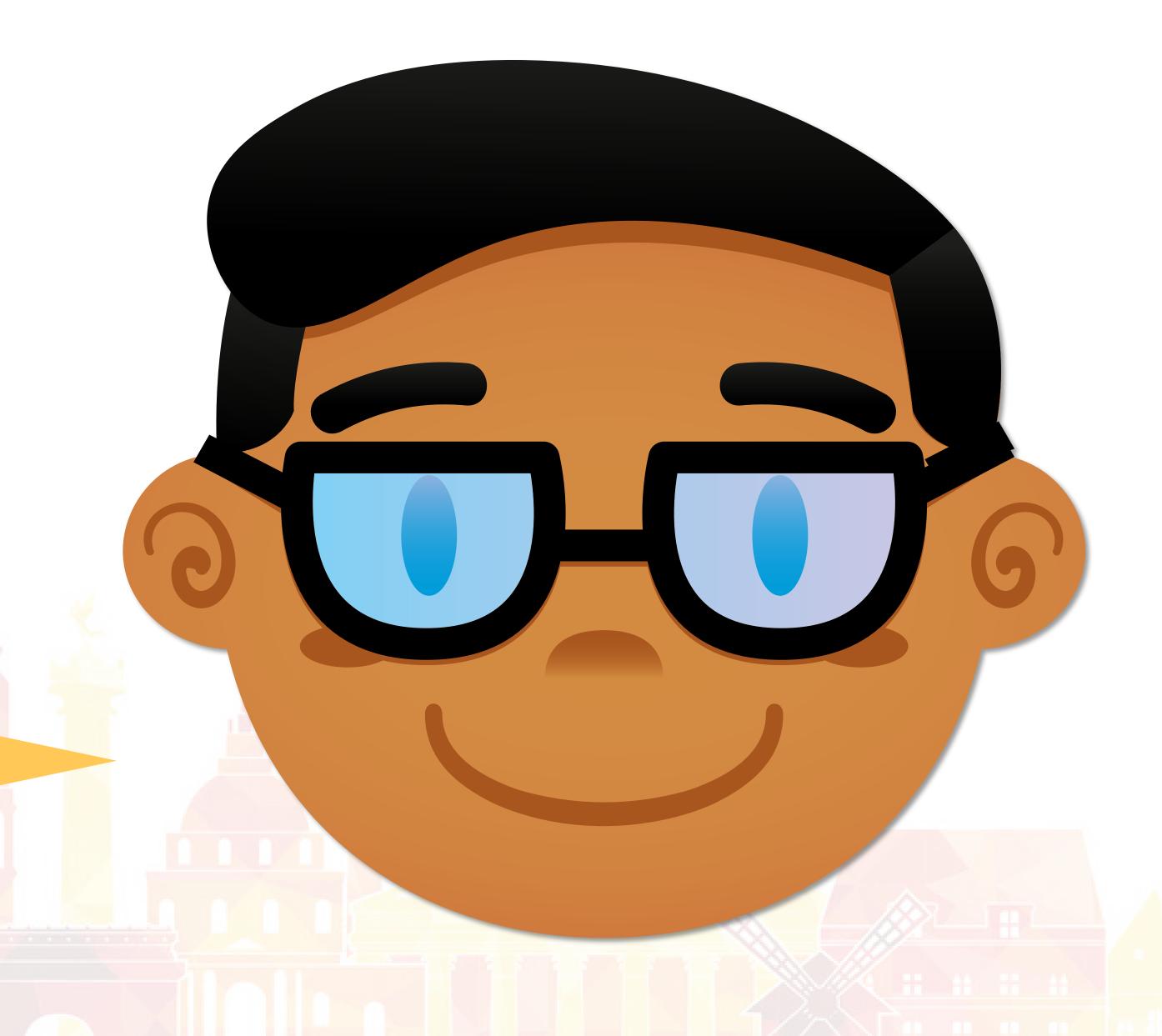
Did you know that Paris is more than 2000 years old?

It was first settled around 200 BC as a tiny fishing village!



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Let's have a look at some photos of Paris. What can you learn about Paris from what you can see?



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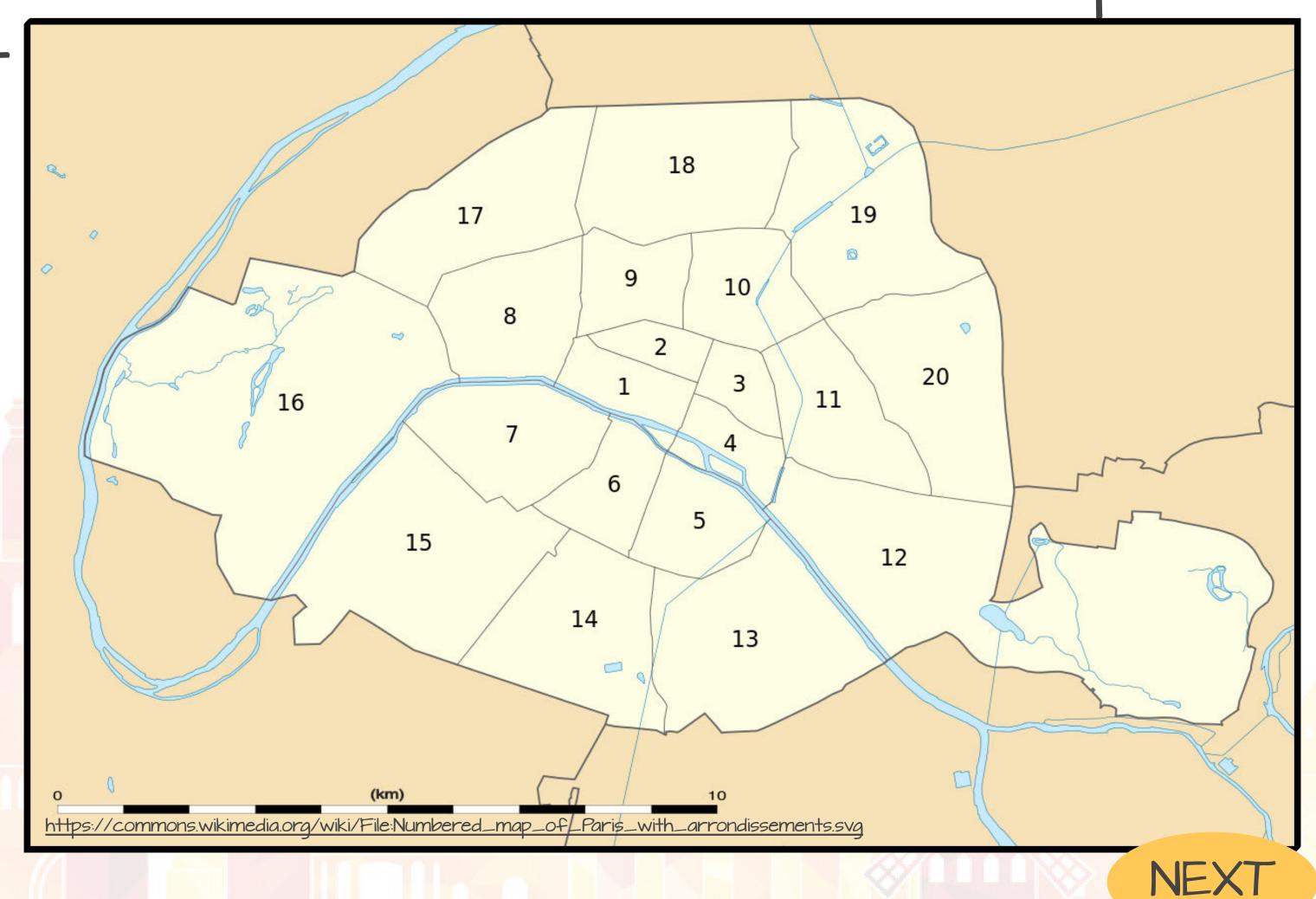


Paris is separated into twenty different boroughs called 'arrondissements'. Each arrondissement has a number and they spiral out from number one at the centre up

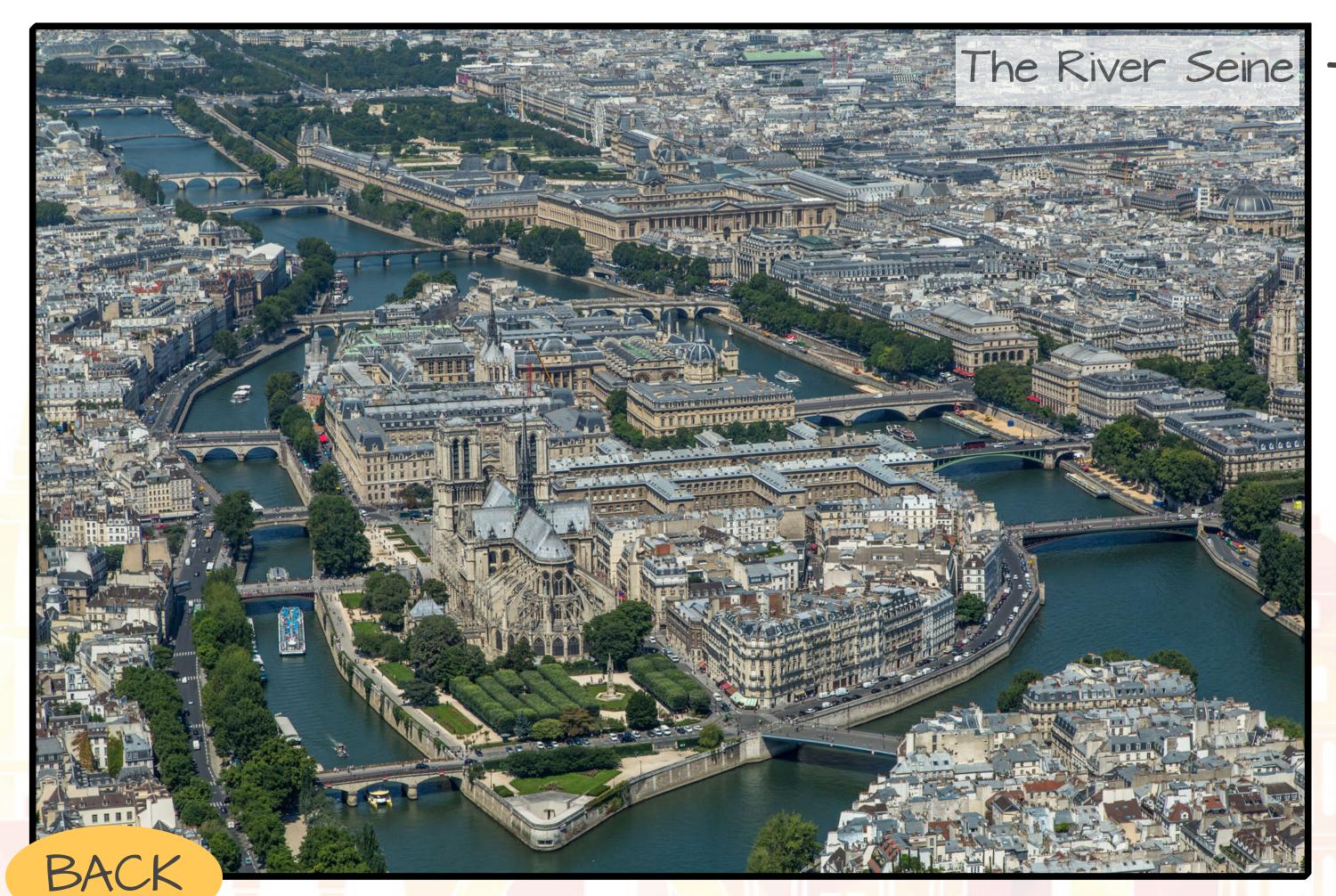
to number twenty. Most of the major tourist attractions in Paris are found in the first eight arrondissements.



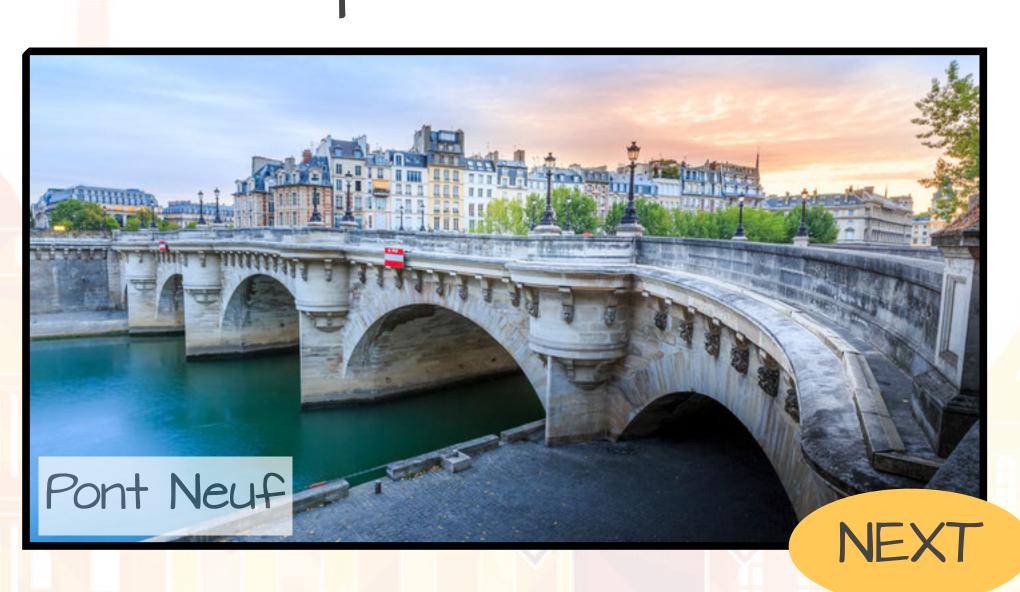
Can
you see the
spiral?!



The city of Paris developed along the banks of the River Seine. Most major cities have been built up along river banks as rivers are useful as a water source and for transport.



There are 32 bridges across the river in Paris. The oldest one is Pont Neuf which was completed in 1607.



More than 2 million people live in Paris. Most people live in apartments as there aren't many individual houses in the city itself. Most people who live in Paris speak French.

If you go shopping in Paris, you need to pay with euros. France, along with 18 other European countries, has the euro as its currency.



#### Fun facts!

There are 450 parks and gardens in Paris.

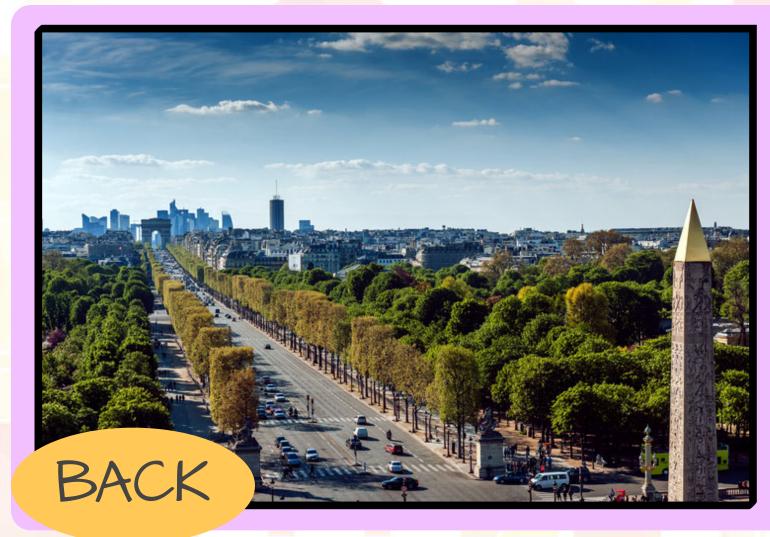


Paris has 830 libraries.
This is more than any other city in the world!





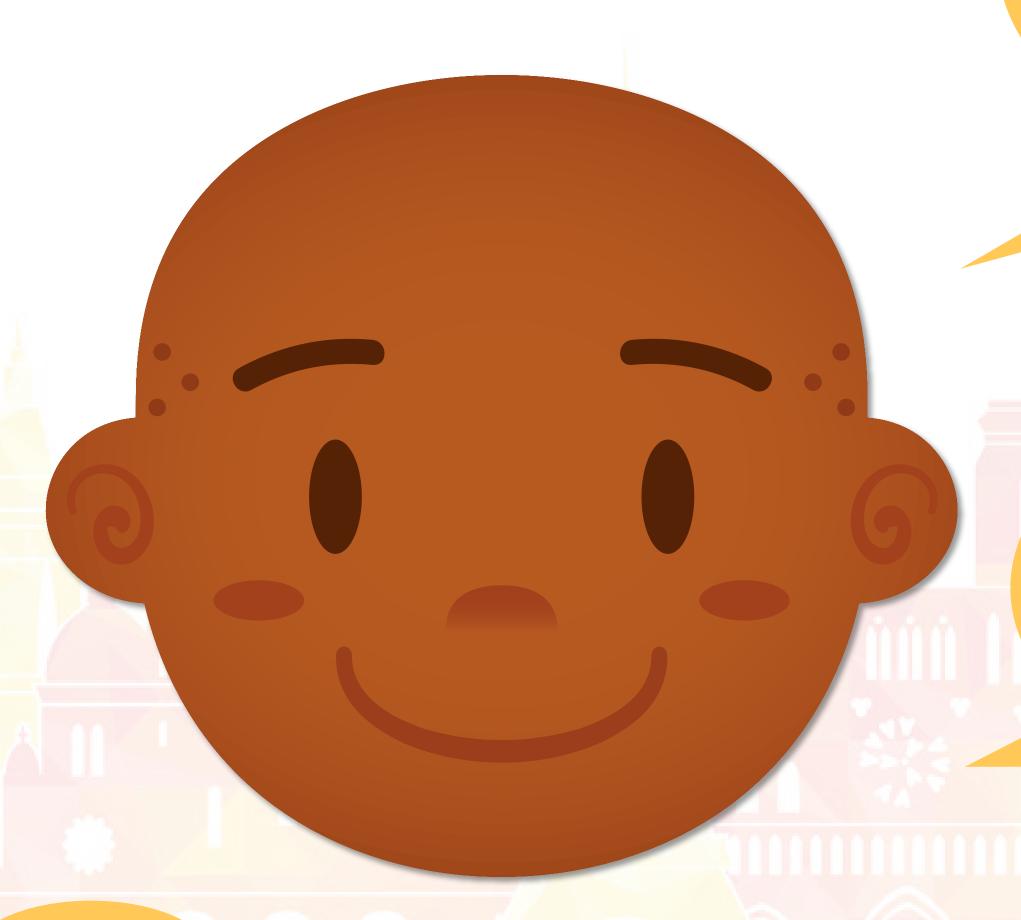
On any given day, there are an average of 10 film shoots in Paris for TV, film or documentaries.



There
are
470,000
trees in
Paris.



There are more than 9000 open terraces where people can sit outside to eat and drink.



Can you name any other French cities?

How about other European capital cities?

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# Plenary:

We're going to read some statements about Paris. Use your thumbs to show whether you think the statement is true or false.



# The River Loire runs all the way through Paris.



TRUE OF FALSE

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It's FALSE! The River Seine runs through Paris. The River Loire is the longest river in France but it doesn't run through Paris.





Did you get that right?

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## Paris is in the northern part of France.



TRUE OF FALSE

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It's TRUE! Paris is in northern France.



Well done if you got that one!



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# More than 5 million people live in Paris.



TRUE OF FALSE

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It's FALSE! There aren't quite that many people in Paris. Just over 2 million people live in Paris.





Did you get that one?

## Paris has 22 boroughs called 'arrondissements'.



TRUE OF FALSE

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It's FALSE! There are 20 arrondissements in Paris, not 22!





Did we catch you out with that one?!

If you go shopping in Paris, you have to pay with



TRUE OF FALSE

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It's TRUE! The currency in France (and therefore Paris) is euros. You can't pay with British money in Paris.

Well done everyone!

