

All about Marrakech

Marrakech is a big city in Morocco, in North Africa. The old walls around the city are a warm red colour, so people call it the Red City.

In winter you can see snowy mountains from the city. In the busy main square there are musicians and storytellers. People shop in markets called souks.

Quick facts

Country	Morocco
Where	North Africa
Nickname	the Red City
Mountains	the Atlas
Markets	souks

Key words

souk:	a market
riad:	a house with a garden in the middle
minaret:	a tall tower on a mosque
tagine:	a meal cooked in a clay pot
medina:	the old part of the city

Wow!

Red walls

The old city walls are red.

Cat city

Lots of cats live in the streets.

Storks

Big birds called storks nest on the palace walls.

Snowy mountains

In winter you can see snow on the Atlas Mountains.

Draw something you would love to see in Marrakech.

Marrakech: the Red City

Use the words in the box to fill the gaps. Each word is used once.

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Word bank cats mint red snow souk storks

1. In winter there is _____ on the Atlas Mountains.
2. The old city walls are _____.
3. A market is called a _____.
4. People drink sweet _____ tea.
5. White _____ build nests on the palace walls.
6. Lots of _____ live in the streets.

Marrakech: the Red City

Read each sentence. Circle True or False.

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True

False

2. Marrakech is in Morocco.

True

False

3. There are no cats in Marrakech.

True

False

4. The old city walls are blue.

True

False

5. A souk is a kind of market.

True

False

6. Marrakech is very cold in summer.

True

False

Marrakech word match

Write the letter of the right meaning in each box.

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| ☐ riad | D a market |
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Did you know? Marrakech

Read the facts. Then draw something you would love to see in Marrakech.

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Daughter of the ash

Tanjia is slow-cooked in a clay pot buried in hot ashes.

Tins into lanterns

Metalworkers make candle holders from old sardine tins.

Cat city

Marrakech is famous for the huge number of cats in its streets.

Storks on the palace

White storks nest on top of the ruined El Badi Palace walls.

Draw it here

Write about your drawing.

Marrakech

Find each word and tick it off. The words go across and down.

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What's the mystery picture?

Work out each sum. Find the answer in the key and colour the square that colour.

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