



## Comparing information about different countries - answers

A. Put the countries in order of population.

The order is:

Name	Population
China	1,298,847,624
Nigeria	131,859,731
Iran	69,018,924
United Kingdom	60,609,153
Burma	42,720,196
Morocco	33,241,259
Canada	32,507,874
Kenya	32,021,856
Uzbekistan	26,410,416
Netherlands	16,318,199
Chile	15,823,957
Guatemala	14,280,596
Zambia	10,462,436
Dominican Republic	8,833,634
Finland	5,214,512
New Zealand	3,993,817
Albania	3,544,808
Suriname	436,935

B. Put the countries in order of size of area.

The order is:

Name	Area
Canada	9,984,670
China	9,596,960
Iran	1,648,000
Nigeria	923,768
Chile	756,950
Zambia	752,614
Burma	678,500
Kenya	582,650
Uzbekistan	447,400
Morocco	446,550
Finland	338,145
New Zealand	268,680
United Kingdom	244,820
Suriname	163,270
Guatemala	108,890
Dominican Republic	48,730
Netherlands	41,526
Albania	28,748

C. What can you say about the countries comparing these two lists?

Many countries **stay in a similar position** (eg China only moves from first to second place), which shows that - for most countries - **the larger the area, the greater the population**. There are **exceptions**, such as Canada and the United Kingdom.

D. Sort the cards by continent - use Africa, Asia, Europe, Oceania, North America and South America.

You need to make **choices**: for example, the Dominican Republic has been placed with South America and Iran with Asia.

The cards sort as:

Africa	Asia	Europe	Oceania	N America	S America
Nigeria	China	Finland	New Zealand	Canada	Chile
Zambia	Burma	United Kingdom			Suriname
Kenya	Uzbekistan	Netherlands			Guatemala
Morocco	Iran	Albania			Dominican Republic

E. What other ways could you arrange and sort the cards?

Ordering by **birth rates** would show a different type of information.

You could sort by the **largest religion** for most countries (except Guatemala).