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| 1. Africans | a term used to refer to the black peoples of the African continent | 14. Witwatersrand | (or 'the Rand') area of gold mining towns from Heidelberg in the east to Krugersdorp and Randfontein in the west |
| 2. Afrikaners | a term used to describe white South Africans who speak Afrikaans, especially those descended from Europeans who migrated to southern Africa before the nineteenth century | | |
| 3. apartheid | an Afrikaans word meaning 'separateness'; refers to the South African governments' policy from the mid 1990s of separating white and black people and discriminating between them in provision of facilities and services | | |
| 4. blockhouse | a fortified structure with small openings from which to fire on enemy troops | | |
| 5. Boers | South Africans, usually of Dutch (but also German and French) descent | | |
| 6. colony | land settled and ruled by a foreign power, which exploits the colony's people and resources while maintaining a distinction between the ruling nation and the colonial people whom it views as inferior | | |
| 7. constitution | the rules (usually written) that set out how a state will be organised and the nature and limits of the government's powers within it | | |
| 8. dominion | a term to describe countries that had a degree of control over their own affairs while still owing allegiance to the British Empire; Canada became the first dominion in 1867; South Africa attained dominion status in 1910 | | |
| 9. guerrilla warfare | a method of warfare in which small groups engage in surprise attacks on enemy facilities, troops and supply routes | | |
| 10. imperialist | a person or government who desires to acquire and administer an area of land so as to benefit from its resources | | |
| 11. racism | the attitude that people of a different race/colour are inferior to those of one's own race/colour | | |
| 12. Uitlanders | an Afrikaner term meaning 'foreigners'; Boer farmers used the term to describe the miners and prospectors who came searching for gold in the areas in and around southern Transvaal | | |
| 13. veld | Afrikaans word for large areas of grasslands with few trees (from the Dutch veldt meaning field) | | |