

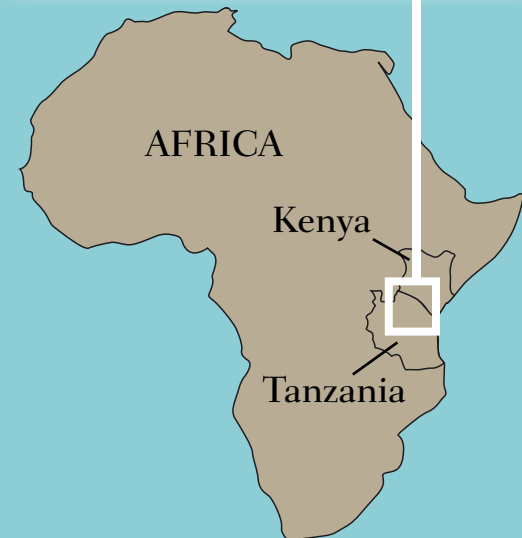
# What is the Great Migration?

There is a place in Tanzania, in Africa, which is so big that people call it the Serengeti. This means ‘the land that goes on for ever’. More than two million animals live here.

The Great Migration is when all these animals go on the move. It is the largest **migration** of land animals on Earth and it happens every year.



Where the Great Migration takes place



More than a million wildebeests travel on the Great Migration.

# Animals of the Great Migration

During the long, dry season, the grass-eating animals must travel to find water to drink and fresh grass to eat.

## FACT

Zebras and wildebeests eat different parts of the same grass. This means they don't take each other's food.

wildebeests



## Grass-eating animals:

The grass-eating animals are mainly herds of wildebeests, zebras and gazelles. There are many more wildebeests than zebras.



zebra



Gazelles also migrate during the dry season, but they do not travel as far as the zebras and the wildebeests.

## Meat-eating animals

Meat-eating animals would die of hunger without the grass-eating animals to eat. But meat-eating animals don't usually travel long distances in the same way. This is because they live and hunt in one place. They will not usually dare to cross land controlled by another group.

a cheetah chasing a wildebeest

