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Episode #8: World Heritage Sites

Tonight, we are going to answer the question, "What are the World Heritage Sites, and why are they important?"

In the 1950s, when the creation of Egypt's Lake Nasser threatened ancient temples at Abu Simbel, it became clear that some sites around the world have importance far beyond national boundaries. They are a part of our global heritage and ought to be preserved and protected for all of us.

Since the 1970s, UNESCO has been identifying these cultural and natural sites to aid their preservation.

There are more than 800 World Heritage Sites, from natural ones such as Australia's Great Barrier Reef and Kenya's Lake Turkana, to cultural ones such as the Acropolis in Athens, Greece and traditional Asante buildings near Kumasi in Ghana.

So for all you future Zain Africa Challenge players, be sure to study up on "World Heritage Sites".