

There are approximately 1,500 active volcanoes dotted around the world today. Most volcanoes form at the boundaries of tectonic plates (enormous slabs of rock that move about and form the Earth's crust). This map shows some of the most active volcanoes.

Volcanoes Of The World

STACH-Z

ETNA

Country: Italy
Last eruption: It is currently active and erupts roughly once a year
Crater size: There are four different sized craters
Height: 3350m

SHIVELUCH

Country: Russia
Last eruption: 2007
Crater size: 5.6 miles
Height: 3307m

UNZEN

Country: Japan
Last eruption: 1995
Crater size: It has numerous craters
Height: 1486m

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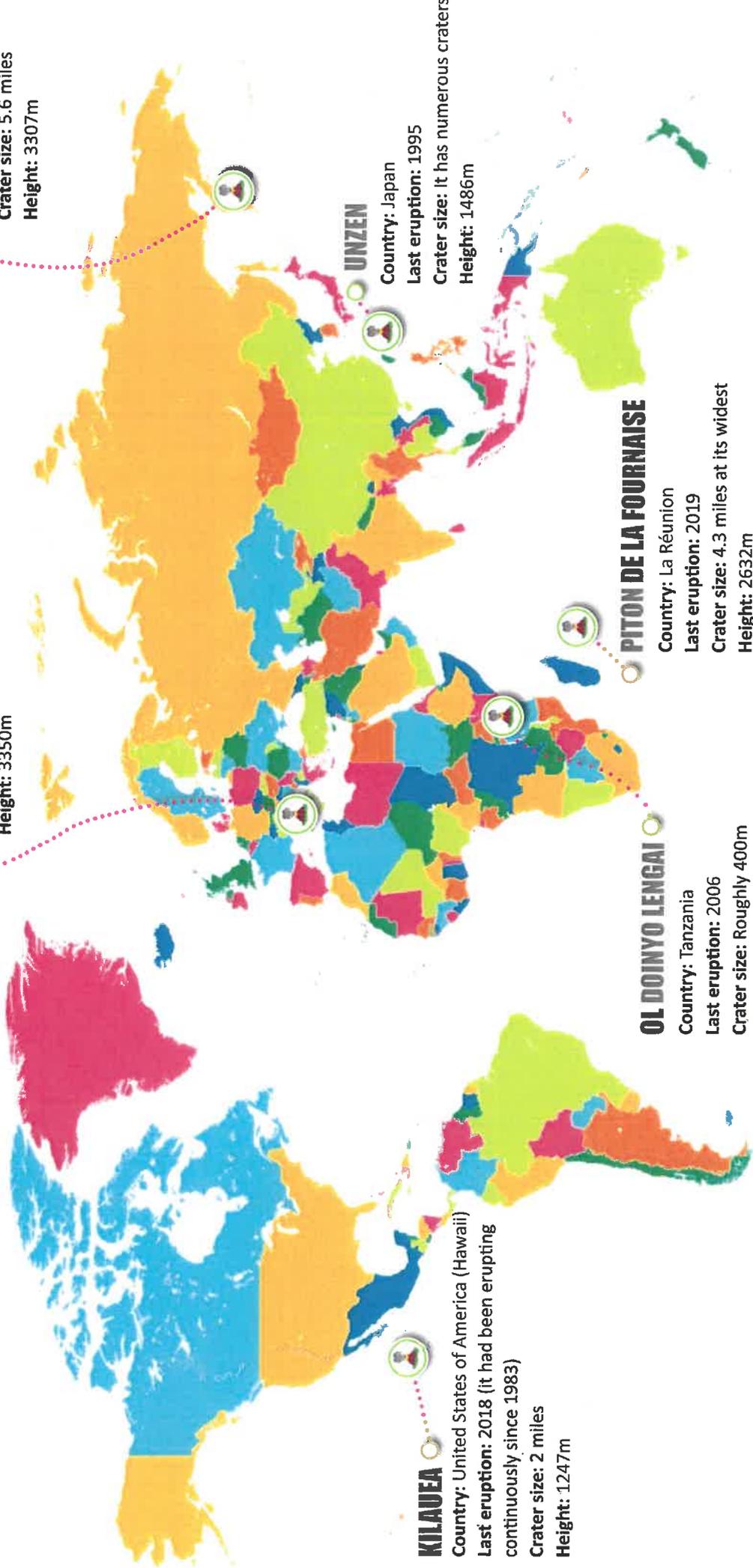
Country: La Réunion
Last eruption: 2019
Crater size: 4.3 miles at its widest
Height: 2632m

OL DOINYO LENGAI

Country: Tanzania
Last eruption: 2006
Crater size: Roughly 400m
Height: 2962m

KILAUEA

Country: United States of America (Hawaii)
Last eruption: 2018 (it had been erupting continuously since 1983)
Crater size: 2 miles
Height: 1247m



SUMMARY FOCUS

1. Which volcanoes have more than one crater?
2. Which volcano has been dormant (hasn't erupted) for the longest?
3. Order the volcanoes in order of height, from smallest to largest.
4. Of the volcanoes with crater measurements, which is the smallest?
5. Why hasn't Etna got a last eruption date?

VIPERS QUESTIONS

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Why is the number of active volcanoes only given as "approximately 1,500"?

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Which word tells you that volcanoes form on the edge of tectonic plates?

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Which volcano is in the United States of America?

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Find a word that tells you that Unzen has more than one crater.

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Which volcano had been erupting for over 20 years before it stopped?