

South African vocabulary used in the articles

[African National Congress](#) (ANC)-Political party and activist organization that worked against imperialism and Apartheid in South Africa since 1912; included an armed wing, the "Spear of the Nation"; party of Nelson Mandela, which still exists and is the largest party in South Africa

Amnesty-removing punishment for a crime; Truth and Reconciliation Commissions could grant amnesty for crimes committed against or defense of Apartheid; according to the South African Press Association in 1996: "[amnesty can only be granted if there is full disclosure of the crimes committed and if a genuine political motive can be shown](#)"

[Homeland](#)-area reserved for people classified as Black African under Apartheid; economic development was very limited in these areas and most residents were unemployed, migrated to other areas to work for white businesses, or worked for the Homeland government (i.e. Black Africans who cooperated with Apartheid in order to earn a living and/or possess limited political power, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi of the IFP was most prominent such person)

[Inkatha Freedom Party](#)- founded by Zulu Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi this political party organized Black South Africans who worked within the Apartheid system; Buthelezi was a political leader of Homeland; IFP was and still is a major rival of the ANC

Pretoria-capital of South Africa; refers to the national government

Rand-South African money, abbreviated "R" (ex. R10=ten Rand); in July 2014 one Rand was worth approximately ten cents

Township-areas usually on the edges of major cities reserved for people not classified as White under Apartheid; often crowded, poor, lacking sanitation and other public services, and violent

Umkhonto we Sizwe (abbreviated MK)-- "Spear of the Nation" in Zulu; armed group of the African National Congress; fought against South African police and military; occasionally bombed government targets; bases outside of South Africa in neighboring countries

Vlakpaas--farm near Pretoria in South Africa; headquarters of the branch of the national police that attacked anti-apartheid activists and revolutionaries during white rule in South Africa; South Africans use the name of the place to represent the people and activities of this branch of the police; After Apartheid the Republic of South Africa closed the police station at Vlakpaas