

Year 2



Continents and Oceans Knowledge Organiser

What will we see on our journey around the world?

Key Vocabulary	Key Questions and Facts		
<p>Continent – A very large area of land that includes all the islands with it.</p> <p>Ocean – A large area of sea</p> <p>Population – The number of people that live in a particular place.</p> <p>Landmark – A feature of the landscape or area that is easily recognised.</p> <p>Desert – A large area of land that has very little rainfall and where not much grows.</p> <p>Rainforest – A large area of land with lots of tall trees and plenty of rainfall.</p> <p>Climate – The usual weather conditions of an area</p> <p>Equator – An imaginary line drawn around the middle of the Earth, dividing it into the Northern and Southern Hemispheres.</p> <p>Aerial – Seen from above</p> <p>Cuisine – Traditional food of a country</p> <p>Currency – The money used in a country</p>	<p style="color: #4f81bd;"><u>What are the seven continents?</u></p> <p>A continent is a very large area of land that includes all the islands with it. Some continents have many countries, others do not.</p> <p>There are seven continents: Africa, Antarctica, Asia, Australasia, Europe, North America and South America.</p>	<p style="color: #4f81bd;"><u>What are the oceans of the world?</u></p> <p>There are five oceans in the world: the Arctic Ocean, the Atlantic Ocean, the Indian Ocean, the Pacific Ocean and the Southern Ocean.</p>	<p style="color: #4f81bd;"><u>Is every country's climate the same?</u></p> <p>Countries around the world have different climates. Climates can be sorted into the following zones: warm, cold (or polar), tropical and temperate.</p> <p>Countries near the equator tend to have a hotter climate. Different animals are better suited to living in countries with a particular climate.</p>
	<p style="color: #4f81bd;"><u>Why are our oceans important?</u></p> <p>There are many reasons why our oceans are important: they provide a home for species that live in the ocean (habitat); lots of ingredients for medicine come from parts of the ocean; it provides us with lots of food; it provides us with oxygen; it is important for trade, and they help control our weather.</p>	<p style="color: #4f81bd;"><u>What is the weather and environment like in the Arctic and Antarctica?</u></p> <p>The Arctic is a polar region that sits above the equator, at the North Pole. The Antarctic is much colder than the Arctic.</p> <p>Antarctica is described as a polar desert and it's the coldest and driest continent in the world.</p> <p>Temperatures are cold all year round. Inland areas receive only a small amount of rain or snow each year, while coastal areas receive a little more.</p>	<p style="color: #4f81bd;"><u>Which continent is England in?</u></p> <p>Europe is the second smallest continent. It has around 44 countries, including England. About 740 million people live in Europe. It is the third largest continent in terms of population.</p>

Additional information



Useful Websites

Five Oceans Song – enjoy learning a catchy song to help learn the five oceans.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X6BE4VcYngQ>

Seven Continents Song – enjoy singing this catchy song to remember the seven continents of the world.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K6DSMZ8b3LE>

The world at your fingertips - Enjoy exploring the world as you transport through the world on National Geographic Kids.

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/category/discover/geography/>

Landmarks



Big Ben
England



Burj Khalifa
United Arab Emirates



Eiffel Tower
France



Golden Gate Bridge
USA



Great Wall of China
China



Leaning Tower of Pisa
Italy



Pyramids and Sphinx
Egypt



Statue of Liberty
USA



St. Basil's Cathedral
Russia



Sydney Opera House
Australia



Taj Mahal
India

Europe has many famous landmarks, including Stonehenge in England, the Matterhorn in Switzerland and the Eiffel Tower in France. Landmarks in other continents include the Yangtze River in China (which is in Asia) and the Great Barrier Reef located off the coast of Australia.

We can look at aerial photos of places and see different features. Some of these are made (or changed) by humans, others are natural (made by nature).