

Year 4 — Spring Term 1

Road Trip USA!

Geography: North America



This half term, our Big Question is...

How does the continent of North America compare to the UK?

Key Facts The most northerly and southerly po-What are the Tropics of Cancer sitions the sun can be directly overand Capricorn? head. Why is latitude and longitude so Longitude and latitude lines can be used to give specific coordinates of important? anywhere in the world. Cities are places where there are Why do people live in cities? many people living, working and trading. This means there are many jobs, and ways for people to make money. This often means that there also lots of activities for people to do in their spare time. This can make cities exciting places to live. How have trade links shaped Trade is when people swap things, usually through buying and selling. America? America has many natural resources that it can sell to others, which has made it a very wealthy country.

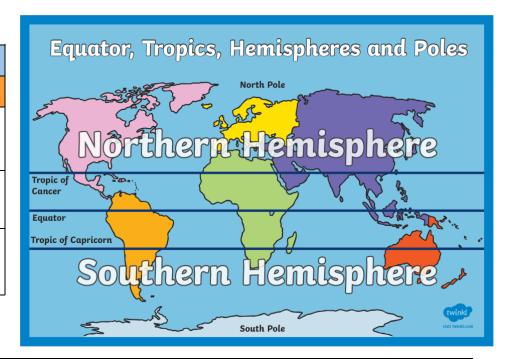
What do we already know?

So far...

So far, you have thought about countries and capital cities within Europe.

So far, you have thought about which features of a place may be human or physical .

So far you have looked at globes and atlases to find different places.



Key Vocabulary	
Equator	The invisible line that runs around the centre of the Earth at 0 degrees latitude.
Hemisphere	A half of the earth. We normally talk about the Northern hemisphere (above the equator) and the Southern hemisphere (below the equator).
Latitude	Latitude lines run around the earth from east to west.
	These lines are the same distance apart from each the whole way around the globe.
Longitude	Longitude lines run around the earth from north to south.
	In certain places, these lines are closer together than at others.
Trade links	The links made ebwteen countries based on what they can trade (buy and sell) to each other.
Tropic of Cancer	The most northerly position the sun can be over head.
Tropic of Capricorn	The most southerly position the sun can be over head.

