

Year 6 Geography

What do we know about North America and what are its main geographical features?

Retrieval	New Learning
- Understand and name the seven continents of the world. - Recognise the lines of longitude and latitude. - Understand the difference between countries, making comparisons between UK / Europe and South America. - Use maps to show features. - Use appropriate maps for different scales of enquiry.	Where are all the North American countries located? (LK) What are the USA's key features, including human and physical issues? (HP) How has Panama used its natural resources to create the greatest canal? (PK) What makes New York a great tourist destination? (LK/PK) Why did immigration play a key part in the development of the USA? (LK)

Key Vocabulary	Definition 2	Geography Skills
Continent	A mass of land, usually consisting of various countries.	Location Knowledge (LK) Place Knowledge (PK) Human and Physical Geography (HP) Geography Skills and Fieldwork (GF)
Culture	A pattern of behaviour shared by a society, or group of people. These things include food, language, clothing, tools, music, arts, customs, beliefs, and religion.	
Physical Features	Topography describes the physical features of an area of land. These features typically include natural formations such as mountains, rivers, lakes and valleys.	
Human Features	The human environment: something that is built by humans and would not have existed in nature without humans.	
Population	The whole number of people living in a country, city, or area.	
Climate	The average measurements of temperature, wind, humidity, snow, and rain in a place over the course of years.	
Tourism	The process of spending time away from home while using commercial services such as hotels and restaurants.	
Industry	All the businesses and factories that convert raw materials into goods or that provide useful services.	
Economy	A system of making and trading things of value. It is usually divided into goods (physical things) and services (things done by people)	



General Information
Hemisphere: Northern
Population: 579 Million
Area: 24,709,000 km ²
Regions: UN formally recognises "North America" as comprising 3 areas: Northern America, Central America, and The Caribbean
Countries: 23 sovereign states



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