



YEAR 3: Geography

Countries and Cities of Europe.

What I should already know:

- The village I live in is called Woodchurch, which is in Wirral, England.
- Wirral is in England, which is a country.
- England, which is in the United Kingdom, is in the continent of Europe.
- The seven continents (including Europe) and five oceans.
- The Anglo-Saxons migrated from Germany and began to settle in Britain around 450 AD.

By the end of this unit:

- Find counties, cities, countries using maps, atlases and a globe.
- Compare the human and physical geographical features of the countries saying how they are similar and different. How can you present this information in different ways (e.g. Carroll and Venn diagrams).
- Research the different climate zones in each country.
- Research the average temperature for each of the countries and create a chart to show this.
- Observe aerial view photographs to compare countries and climate zones.
- Use the 8 points of a compass to describe the countries in relation to each other.

Key Facts at the end of this unit:

Country	Capital City	Human Geography	Physical Geography
France	Paris	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Famous landmarks: Eiffel Tower, Disneyland • Trade—farming, fashion, wine • High levels of tourism • Main language: French 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mountain ranges including the Alps. • Rivers, including the Seine • Warm summers and cool winters (temperate) • Has coasts on the English Channel
Russia	Moscow	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Famous landmarks: St Basil's Cathedral • Trade—energy (oil, gas and coal) • Largest population in Europe. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Largest country in Europe by land • Due to its size, there are many climate zones • Has a coast on the Arctic Ocean—this part of Russia consists of a tundra biome
Germany	Berlin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Famous landmarks: Berlin Wall, Brandenburg Gate • Trade—automobiles • Main language: German 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The rivers Rhine and Elbe can both be found in Northern Germany and join the North Sea. • The Black Forest can be found to the south of Germany, near Switzerland. It is a mountainous region, full of vegetation. • The Alps, a mountain range in Europe, can be found in Germany.

Vocabulary	
Atlas	Book of maps.
Biome	A large region of Earth that has a certain climate and certain types of vegetation and animals.
Capital city	The city where the government sits. London is the capital city of England.
City	A large town. London is a city.
Climate	The general weather conditions that are typical of it.
Climate Zones	Sections of the Earth that are divided according to the climate. There are three main climate zones; polar, temperate and tropical.
Coast	An area of land that is next to the sea.
Compass Points	Points on compass marking the 4 main directions: North, South, East, West and intermediate directions.
Continent	Very large land mass that consists of many countries. Europe is a continent.
Country	An area of land that is controlled by its own government.
Counties	Areas of land, cities and towns that are used for different purposes.
Desert	A large area of land, usually in a hot region, where there is almost no water, rain, trees, or plants.
Equator	An imaginary line around the middle of the Earth at an equal distance from the North Pole and the South Pole.
Globe	A ball-shaped object with a map of the world on it.
Human geography	Features of land that have been impacted by human activity.
Landmark	A building or feature which is easily recognised.
Language	The communication of a particular country or people.
Ocean	One of the five very large areas of salt water on the Earth's surface.
Physical geography	Naturally features of land.
Population	All the people who live in a country or area.
Sea	A large area of salty water that is part of an ocean.
Tectonic	Relating to the structure of the Earth's surface or crust.
Temperate	A place which is never extremely hot or extremely cold.
Tourist	A person who is visiting a place for pleasure and interest, especially when they are on holiday.
Trade	The activity of buying, selling, or exchanging goods or services.
Tundra	A flat layer of land where the top layer is frozen. There is hardly any vegetation.
Vegetation	Plants, trees and flowers.