

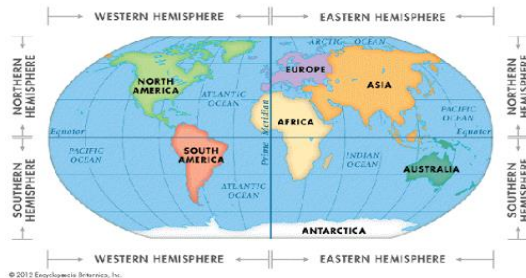


Prior Learning

Named and located the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas. Observed and described the human and physical geography of a small area of the UK. Identified weather patterns in the UK and compared this with other places in the world.

Longitude and Latitude lines help to define the precise location of a point on earth. By using a reference point, we are able to pinpoint a specific area on a map.

The line of longitude which runs through Greenwich in London is called the Prime Meridian.



Geographers, or people who study Earth, have divided the planet into two sets of two hemispheres. These are the Northern and Southern hemispheres and the Eastern and Western hemispheres.

The whole of England is divided into 48 counties. The largest county is Yorkshire.

Maps are usually too small to contain lots of writing, so instead they use symbols. Some maps also use contour lines to show high and low areas of land.

Map of the UK



Enquiry Questions...

We will be learning 8 cardinal directions.
Can you find out what they are?



Approximately how many islands make up the British Isles? How many are inhabited?

What is the difference between the UK, Great Britain, England and The British Isles?

What county do we live in?

What is Greenwich well known for?

Vocabulary Dozen

county	The division of a state or of a country for local government.
capital	The city where the government of a country or region work.
contour	A line on a map joining points of equal height.
scale	The ratio of a distance on the map to the real distance on the ground.
longitude	An imaginary line used to locate a place on Earth (East to West)
latitude	An imaginary line used to locate a place on Earth (North to South)
hemisphere	A half of the Earth.
settlement	A place where people establish a community.
landmark	An important building or monument.
urban	Relating to a town or city.
rural	Relating to the countryside.
topography	The study of the shape and features of land surfaces.

Did you know?

- The flag for the UK can be called the Union flag or the Union Jack.



- The union flag is a blend of 3 countries.
- People who make maps are called cartographers.
- At its widest, the United Kingdom is 300 miles across. From the northern tip of Scotland to the southern coast of England, it is about 600 miles.

