

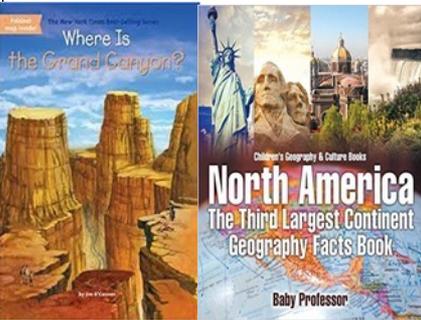
Year 3 Geography Knowledge Organiser: North America



Subject Specific Vocabulary

longitude	Distance measured in degrees east or west of an imaginary line that runs from the north pole to the south pole.
latitude	The distance north or south of the equator measured in degrees.
sparse	Something that is small in number and spread out over an area.
equator	An imaginary line around the center of Earth.
Grand Canyon	A massive canyon of red rock in the United States.
desert	A large region that gets very little rain and it often hot and sandy.
distribution	The pattern of where people live.
rural	An area that has a small population and small settlements (countryside).
landscapes	An area of land as one can see it. This includes physical and human features.
urban	A very developed and built up area such as a town or a city.

Read all about it



Key knowledge about North America

- 1. The Arctic, Atlantic and Pacific oceans and Caribbean sea surround North America.**
- 2. There are 50 states in the United States. Including Hawaii and Alaska.**
- 3. The Grand Canyon was created by erosion, where the Colorado river now runs through it.**
- 4. People in North America generally live close to rivers and coasts because of the climates inland.*
- 5. Each state has its own capital city but the capital city of the United States is Washington DC.*
- 6. New York City is home to some of North America's most popular landmarks including the Statue of Liberty, Empire State Building and Central Park.**

10 most populated states in the United States

- California (39.5 million)
- Texas (29.2 million)
- Florida (21.4 million)
- New York (19.4 million)
- Pennsylvania (12.8 million)
- Illinois (12.6 million)
- Ohio (11.6 million)
- Georgia (10.6 million)
- North Carolina (10.4 million)
- Michigan (9.6 million)