



Subject:
Geography

Topic: *Who are our European neighbours?*

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Key knowledge and understanding:

The United Kingdom where we live is in Europe. Europe is the sixth largest continent in size. It is located in the Northern Hemisphere. It is bordered by the Arctic Ocean to the north, the Atlantic Ocean to the west and the Mediterranean Sea to the south.

- Europe is split into four parts Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western.
- The United Kingdom is located in Northern Europe.



- There are 44 countries in Europe.
- 747 million people live in Europe making it the third largest continent by population.
- The region includes the mountains of the Alps, Pyrenees, Apennines, Dinaric Alps, Balkans, and Carpathians.
- Moscow, in Russia, is the largest city
- Mount Elbrus in Russia (5,642 metres/18,510ft) is the highest mountain in Europe
- The Volga River in Russia (3,530km) is Europe's longest river

What (key vocab):

Capital city	the main city in a country, usually where the Government is located.
City	a large town that usually has a cathedral.
Continents	One of Earth's seven major areas of land
Country	a large area of land where people live under the same Government.
European Union	a political and economic union of 27 member States in Europe
Euros	the currency used by many of the European Union countries.
Human feature	something that is built by humans and would not have existed in nature without humans
Landmark	an object or a feature of a landscape or town that has importance or makes a place easily recognizable
Latitude	Latitudes are horizontal lines that measure distance north or south of the equator.
Longitude	Longitudes are vertical lines that measure east or west of the meridian in Greenwich, England.
Mountain	a land mass with great height and steep sides that is higher than a hill
Ocean	A vast body of salt water covering about ¾ of the earth's surface
Region	a large area of land that shares human or physical features
Physical feature	something on the Earth's surface that has been formed by nature
Population	The number of people living in an area.
United Kingdom	England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.
Weather	The specific atmospheric conditions on a given day including temperature and rainfall.

Physical Features

Oceans, lakes, mountains, rivers, weather and climate patterns.



Human Features

Country/region boundaries, buildings, roads, language, religion, population and government



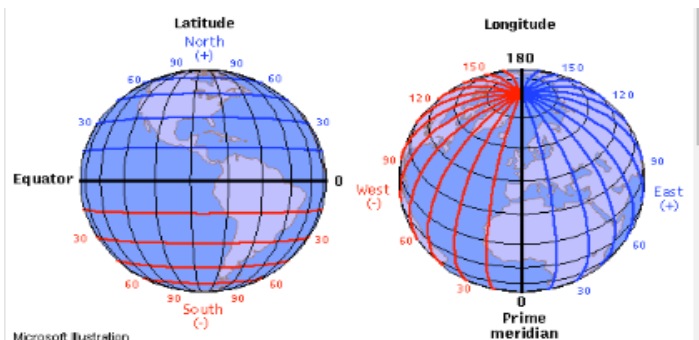


Geographical Skills and Enquiry

- Use maps and atlases to name and locate countries and cities in Europe and some human and physical features
- Locate the world's countries and capital cities, using maps to focus on Europe (including the location of Russia)
- On a world map, locate key physical characteristics such as the highest mountain ranges and the largest rivers.
- Describe human and physical similarities and differences between a region of the United Kingdom, a region in a European country
- Describe and understand key aspects of: physical geography, including: rivers, mountains, volcanoes Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied.

European Cities and Landmarks		
London		The capital of the U.K. (Houses of Parliament)
Paris		The capital of France (The Eiffel Tower)
Berlin		The capital city of Germany (Brandenburg Gate)
Rome		The capital city of Italy (The Colosseum)
Madrid		The capital city of Spain (The Royal Palace)

Latitude and Longitude



Together, latitude and longitude enable cartographers, geographers and others to locate points or places on the globe