

GEOGRAPHY - North America

Year 5 - Pentecost Term 1

Key vocabulary and definitions

Continent	The seven world land masses: Africa, Asia, North and South America, Europe, Australasia and Antarctica.	Washington DC	The capital city of the USA
Northern and Southern Hemisphere	The two halves of the globe separated by the equator.	Grand Canyon	Steep sided canyon - 277 miles long, up to 18 miles wide.
States	Legally independent areas which join together to form the United States of America	Mississippi	The longest river in the USA
Natural resources	Materials or substances that are produced by the environment, e.g. fossil fuels, water, animals, plants	National parks	Protected areas because of their natural beauty, geological features and eco systems.
Great plains	A high plateau of grasslands	Landmarks	Famous buildings or natural features eg. The Statue of Liberty, Mount Rushmore and the White House.
Physical features	Things that would be here even if there were no people around, like seas, mountains and rivers, e.g. Rocky Mountains, Mississippi river	Human features	Things that have been built by people, e.g. White House, Disney World, New York City

- The countries in the continent of North America
- Physical and human features
- Famous landmarks - Statue of Liberty, Grand Canyon
- Natural resources
- Environmental regions

