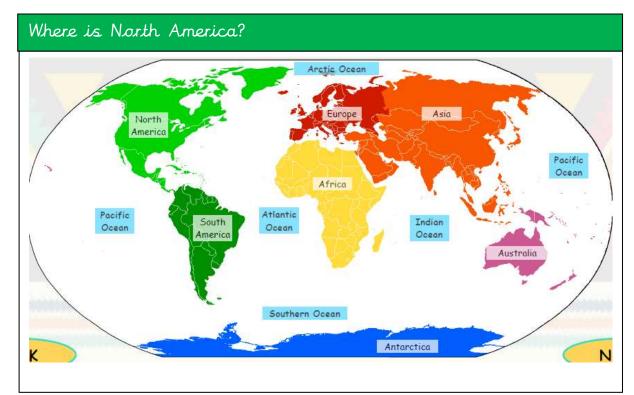
Key Vocabulary		
biomes	A large geographical area which is home to certain plants and animals, specially adapted to suit the environment.	
climate	The usual or average weather conditions over a long period of time.	
continent	A large landmass made up of many countries.	
country	An area that is controlled by its own government.	
equator	An imaginary line around the globe at latitude 0° north dividing the earth into northern and southern hemispheres.	
flora/fauna	Plant and animal life.	
latitude	Imaginary parallel lines which circle the globe from east to west.	
longitude	Imaginary lines which run north to south across the globe from pole to pole.	
weather	The specific atmospheric conditions on a given day including temperature and rainfall.	



## What countries are in North America?



There are 23 countries in North America.

They can be split into two groups - countries on the mainland and countries which are islands.

## What is North America's Climate?



	Ice cap climate	
I	Tundra climate	
	Subarctic climate	
	Warm temperate climate	
	Subtropical climate	
	Tropical climate	

## Physical Features of North America

Physical Geography refers to features such as mountains, rivers and volcanos. Here are some physical features of North America.



How Can You Compare Different Places?			
Physical Geography	Human Geography		
The natural features of a place or environment.	Features of an environment that have been shaped by people.		
oceans and coastlines	country/region boundaries		
<ul> <li>rivers and lakes</li> </ul>	buildings, roads and land use		
<ul> <li>mountains and volcanoes</li> </ul>	changes to river courses		
flora and fauna	• language/signs		
• land-form	<ul> <li>religion, government, art and music</li> </ul>		