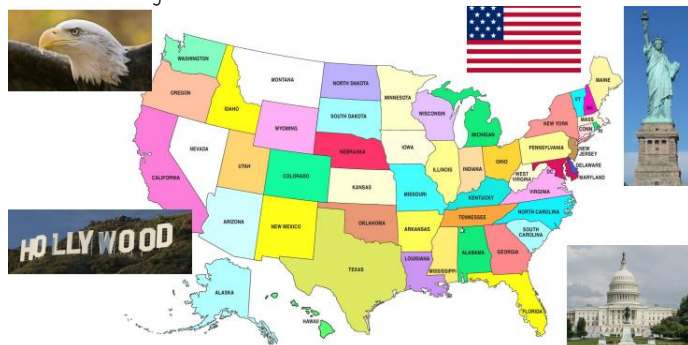


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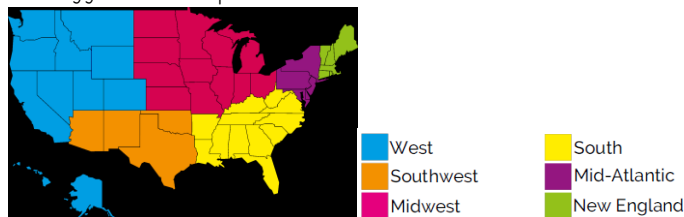
Key Knowledge



- The United States of America is one of 23 countries in the continent of North America.





- America is made up of 50 states, each with its own capital city.
- It has the largest population of any country in North America, and the third largest population in the world (328 million people).
- The USA is considered the richest and most powerful country in the world, at the forefront of world politics and economy.
- The country can be split into 6 different regions, each with different landscapes and climates.




Natural Phenomena: natural happenings like blizzards, tornadoes, hurricanes and earthquakes occur in USA.


Blizzard  – severe snow storm.


Tornado  – a spiralling funnel of air that descends from a storm cloud destroying everything in its path.


Hurricane  – a violent tropical storm that starts in the Atlantic Ocean.


Earthquakes  – sudden shaking of the ground caused by movements within the earth's crust.


Key Vocabulary


continent  a very large area of land that consists of many countries. Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Antarctica, Europe and Australia are the World's continents.


country  an area that is controlled by its own government.


capital city  the city where the government of a country or region is.


state  a part of a large country that has its own government


climate zones  general weather conditions that are typical of an area.


landscape  the area that can be seen from one point; view


physical features  natural features of a place or environment, such as mountains, deserts and rivers.

human features  features of an environment that have been impacted by people, such as population, language and building.


desert  a waterless area of land, usually covered with sand


canyon  a deep gorge, usually with a river running through it

prairie  a large area of grassland

coastal  the part of land joining or near the sea

mountain  a large steep hill

forest  a large area covered by trees

valley  the low area of land between hills, usually has a river running through it

Cities in USA

Washington, D.C. is the capital city of the USA. The three major buildings in American government are in Washington, D.C, they are the White House (where the President lives), the Capitol and Supreme Court.



The White House The Capitol Building The Supreme Court

New York is one of the most famous cities in the world.



Times Square, New York

National Parks – these are protected park land to preserve the natural beauty of the landscape and protect habitats of wild animals.

There are many National Parks in USA:

- Yellowstone in Wyoming, Idaho and Montana
- Yosemite in California
- Acadia in Maine
- Zion in Utah
- Everglades in Florida