

Brentside Knowledge Organiser - Geography

Year5	Topic: What is so special about the USA?	National curriculum: . Understand similarities and difference between the UK and North America Locate countries of the world on a map.
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What I should already know:

I already have discovered that life in countries outside of the UK is different.

I know where to locate the USA on a map linked to my prior learning of continents.

What I should know at the end of the topic:

Location	I can locate the USA on a map looking at it's position relative to the UK
Climate	I understand that the USA is a vast country spanning climatic and time zones
Cities	I can locate several major cities in the USA and can identify some popular landmarks
states	I have a good understanding of the Geography of the country
Economy	I understand how important tourism is to the USA
	I can name major rivers and mountains

Learning:

Exploring location, key information, physical features (incl rivers, lakes and mountains) Exploring states and their cities. I understand why New York is one of the most exciting cities in the world.

Learning Skills: Research/ mapping/digital technology

Maps/Diagrams



Climates in the USA

Like the UK, the USA is in the northern hemisphere and experience the seasons at the same time as us in the UK. However, the USA is so vast that it covers a range of different climate zones called regional climates.



Vocabulary

USA	Acronym for U nited S tates of A merica.
States	Areas a geographical area.
economy	How a country is doing in producing and making goods and how much money it has
population	All the people living in a particular country, area, or place.
capital city	The city that is the centre of government of a country or smaller political area. E.g. The capital city of USA is Washington DC.
landmark	A building or place that is easily recognized, especially one that you can use to judge where you are.
mountain ranges	A group or line of mountains with a particular name.