



Wonders of the World: North America



Top facts

- North America is the third largest continent in size and the fourth largest when in population.
- The North American continent is made up of 23 countries.
- The Age of Discovery was the time Europeans began conquering the land they had discovered.
- Population of North America is roughly 456.5 million people.
- North America is one of the largest continents in the world—third only to Asia and Africa.
- The countries of Central America also are part of the continent, and several islands, including the West Indies and Greenland, are associated with North America.

Key Vocabulary

topographical features	What the land is made up of such as rivers, mountains, lakes, roads and cities.	satellite images	Photographs of the Earth taken from a satellite in space.
northern and southern hemisphere	The two halves of the planet split by the equator.	climate	The general weather conditions over a long period of time.
Natural resources	Materials that can be found in the Earth such as tin, gold, oil and coal.	biome	Areas of the planet with similar climates, landscapes, animals and plants.
canyons	A deep gorge, usually with a river flowing through it.	economic development	How much money and growth a country creates.

Continent, Atlantic, Pacific, Africa, Europe, Asia, Southern, Northern, forest, hill, mountain, soil, valley, North, South, East, West, compass, right, left, plot.

<p>Task 1</p> <p>Find a map of the world or draw one. Label different continents.</p>	<p>Task 2</p> <p>Recreate one of the flags of North America using a medium of your choice eg. Paint, pens, junk modelling.</p>	<p>Task 3</p> <p>Design your own trip around North America. Where would you visit? What would you do?</p>
<p>Task 4</p> <p>Find objects in your home that you would take on an adventure. Draw these items in your homework books.</p>	<p>Task 5</p> <p>Design your own country/island. Draw it and then write down some interesting facts about it.</p>	<p>Task 6</p> <p>Find out about an explorer of your choice. Share information about your chosen explorer.</p>