

Kingsley CP Knowledge Organiser

Geography Focus

7 Continents of the World

Year 1

Spring 1 Term

What? (Key knowledge)

Name and locate the 7 continents

Asia	The biggest continent in the world. Major countries include India and China. It's home to tigers and pandas!
Africa	The second biggest continent in the world. It has the world's biggest (non-polar) desert. It's home to giraffes, elephants and lions!
North America	Major countries include the USA and Canada. It's home to bears and skunks!
South America	The Amazon, the world's biggest rainforest, is found here. It's home to llamas and sloths!
Antarctica	It's almost completely covered in ice! It's the coldest and windiest continent. It's home to penguins and seals!
Europe	This is where we live! Major countries include the UK, France and Germany. It's home to foxes and wolves!
Australia	This is the smallest continent in the world. It's home to kangaroos and koalas.

Comparing and contrasting

Position	Discuss where each continent is located in relation to each other and the equator.
Weather	Discuss the varying weather conditions, particularly where the weather makes it inhabitable for humans and / or animals.
Animals	Discuss the animals that live in the different continents and why we think they may like to live there.
Size	Compare the size of each continent in relation to each other. Which is the biggest? Smallest? Which is bigger than Europe, the continent that we live in?

What? (Key Vocabulary)

Continent	Very large landmass. There are 7 continents: Africa, Antarctica, Asia, Europe, North America, Australia and South America.
Equator	In the northern hemisphere where the Earth's axis of rotation meets the surface.
Ocean	A large body of water which covers a large area of the Earth.

Diagrams



Possible Experiences

- Make African animal masks in art and design.
- Link animals that can be found in different continents to science unit ('animals including humans').