



Geography focus	Amazing Americas	Year 5	Autumn Term
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What? (Key knowledge)

The Americas

The Americas, which are also collectively called America, are a landmass comprising the totality of North and South America. The Americas make up most of the land in Earth's Western Hemisphere and comprise the New World.

North America

Canada	Canada is a vast country which covers 9,984,670 square kilometres and whose territories span six time zones. Located in the northern-most region of North America, Canada's shores touch three oceans.
Niagara falls	The name for 3 waterfalls located on the boarder of Canada and USA.
USA	The USA is country on the North American continent that consists of 50 states, a federal district (District of Columbia) and 14 territories.
Northern Hemisphere	The Northern Hemisphere is the part of the globe which is above the equator. It includes all of North America, the northern parts of South America, about two-thirds of Africa, all of Asia excluding parts of Indonesia and all of Europe.
States of America	America is split up into states (a bit like how the UK is split up into counties). There 50 states of the USA, 49 are located on the American mainland and one state, Hawaii, is located in the Pacific Ocean.
Oceans	The Artic, Atlantic and Pacific oceans make up the coastlines of Canada.
Great Lakes	Canada has some of the largest fresh water lakes in the world

Possible experiences

- Use Google Earth to investigate the locations of the countries that make up America
- Making Totem Poles and learning history.

What? (Key Vocabulary)

Population	a group of people living in a particular area, such as a city, country, continent, or the world.
Latitude	Imaginary lines around the Earth, also known as parallels, from east to west.
Longitude	Imaginary lines around the Earth running from the North to the South Pole. They are not parallel.
Continents	Continents are the large solid area of land that covers the
Countries	A country is land that is controlled by a single government.
Equator	The Equator is an imaginary circle around Earth. It divides Earth into two equal parts: the Northern Hemisphere and the Southern Hemisphere.
Geography	Geography is the study of the shape and features of the Earth's surface, including countries, vegetation, climates and how humans use the world's resources.

Diagrams and symbols

Canada is split in to 10 Provinces



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