

Locational Knowledge



A **country** is a nation with its own government and territory.

A **continent** is one of seven large land masses, mainly surrounded by sea.

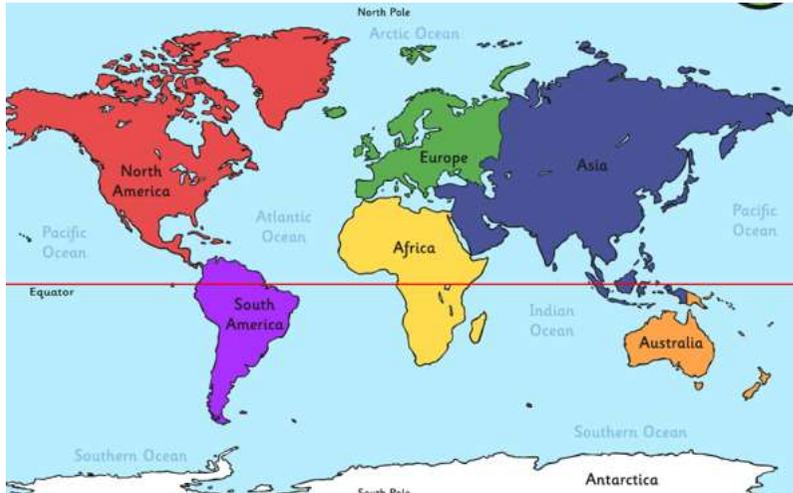
Oceans are large areas of salt water joined to each other but they are separated into five major sections. Oceans cover around 70% of the Earth's surface. The Pacific Ocean is the largest. The Arctic Ocean is the smallest.

Seas are smaller areas of water and are found where the land and water meet.

There are **seven continents** and **five oceans**.

The continent Australasia can also be called Oceania.

The **equator** is an imaginary line which travels all the way around the globe, it is halfway between the North Pole and the South Pole.



Geographical Skills

Maps are drawings of actual landscapes and places that use lines and symbols to represent real-life objects like roads, fields and buildings.

Maps have been used for hundreds of years to help people to travel.

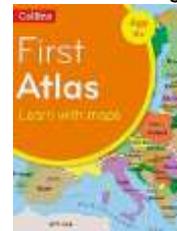
There are lots of different types of **maps**. Such as sketch maps, road maps and Ordnance Survey (OS) maps.



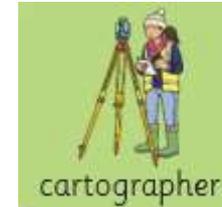
An **atlas** is a collection of maps.

A **compass** is a tool used to show directions.

It has a needle that spins and always points north.



Key features of a map:



A cartographer is someone who creates maps.



This is an aerial view or bird's eye view of our school and the surrounding area.

Activities:

- Identify a range of map types.
- Draw a sketch map of your local area.
- Create routes from one place to another using compass directions.
- Identify a range of map symbols.
- Use an atlas and its contents and index page to find places in the UK.
- Use an atlas and its contents and index page to find the continents and oceans.
- Match photographs to their aerial view.

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