

Y2 Knowledge Organiser Geography: Continents and Oceans

Vocabulary	
Atlas	A book of maps.
City	A large town, London, Manchester and Liverpool are cities.
Compass point	Any of the main points on a compass: North, South, East, West.
Continent	A very large area of land that consists of many countries. Europe is a continent.
Country	An area of land that is controlled by its own government.
County	A county is a specific region/area of a country.
Globe	A sphere on which a map of the world is drawn or represented.
Northern hemisphere	The northern half of the world.
Ocean	One of the five very large areas of saltwater on the Earth's surface.
Sea	A large area of salty water that is part of an ocean.
Southern hemisphere	The southern half of the world.
Surrounded	To be present all around.
Village	A small group of houses, perhaps with a few shops, that are often in the countryside.



Essential Knowledge

The country I live in is called England. I go to school in Sunningdale which is a village in England. Sunningdale is within the county of Berkshire. England is a country in the United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland).

I can locate the **five oceans**

Pacific Ocean
Southern Ocean
Indian Ocean
Atlantic Ocean
Arctic Ocean

and **seven continents** on a map and globe

North America
South America
Africa
Asia
Antarctica
Europe
Oceania

Facts

Asia is the **largest** continent. It has the biggest land area and the world's biggest population. This means most -people live on the Asian continent.

The continent has the most populous cities, which means there are the biggest cities in the world with many million people living in the urban centres, such as in Delhi, Tokyo, Shanghai and Beijing.

Oceania is the **smallest** continent of the planet. Oceania includes Australasia, Polynesia, Micronesia and Melanesia. This means Australia, New Zealand the many islands to the north and east of Australia in the Pacific Ocean are on this continent.

Antarctica is the **smallest** continent by **population** numbers. This means the huge continent is only sparsely populated. On Antarctica there are only research stations for scientists and no permanent settlements. Antarctica is covered almost completely by ice.

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