

Key facts to remember

1. The Americas are made up of 2 continents – North America and South America, they are connected by the Isthmus of Panama.
2. South America has the most extreme climates, home to the largest Rainforest and the hottest desert.
3. The Tropic of Cancer is 23 degrees North of the equator in the Northern hemisphere. The Tropic of Capricorn is 23 degrees South of the equator in the Southern hemisphere.
4. North America's prominent physical features are, The Rocky Mountains, The Great Lakes, The Grand Canyon, Niagara Fall and The Cuban Pine Forests. Some of its renown human features are, Empire State Building, Chichen Itza, Golden Gate Bridge
5. Sao Paulo is a Mega City in Brazil, New York is a Mega city in USA and London is a Mega City in England.

Vocabulary

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| Isthmus | a narrow strip of land with sea on either side, forming a link between two larger areas of land. |
| The Tropics | regions that lie roughly in the middle of the earth between the latitude lines of the Tropic of Cancer and Tropic of Capricorn. |
| Hemisphere | A hemisphere is half of a sphere, or ball. People use the word to describe one half of Earth. Geographers, have divided the planet into two sets of two hemispheres. These are the Northern and Southern hemispheres and the Eastern and Western hemispheres. |
| States (USA) | an association which has control over a geographic area or territory. |
| Mega City | cities with a population of over 10 million. |

My memory jogger

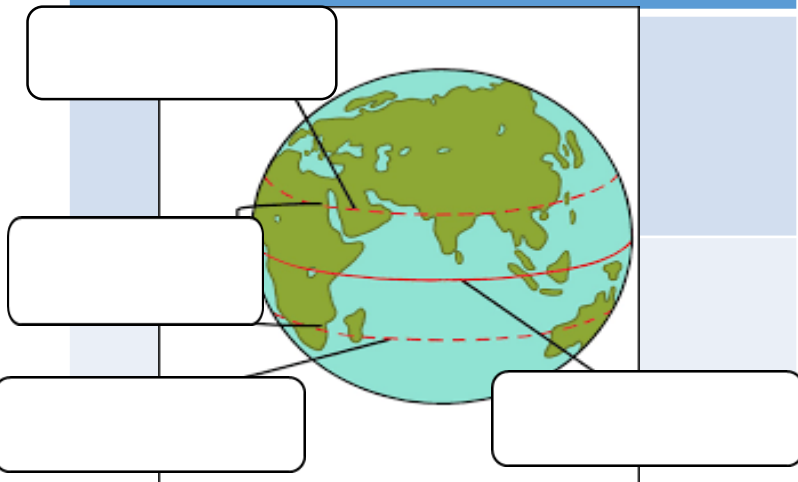


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Previous learning

I have studied the European continent in Y3 and have developed a sense of scale, ready to study a different continent.

Future Learning

In Y6 I will complete an indepth study of the Amazon Basin in South America looking in greater detail at sustainability when looking at deforestation, who is in charge politically and what changes have been made already.