

Continents and Oceans

Prior Knowledge:

I know the names of the 5 Oceans and can locate them on a map.

I know the names of the 7 Continents and can locate them on a map.



Physical features

- The Earth is the planet on which we live.
- It is a sphere. It has a core, mantle and crust.
- The crust is the rock that covers the entire surface of the Earth.
- Below the crust is the mantle which is made of hot liquid rock called magma.
 - Some of the crust is submerged by the oceans of the world.
- Under the oceans there are some high mountains and deep trenches that cannot be seen from the land.
- The parts of the crust that are not submerged by the oceans is called land. Some of the land has formed into high mountains and some into low valleys.
- Land is divided into continents, which are very large areas of land.

Knowledge Organiser

The largest Continent is Asia and the largest Ocean is the Pacific. Oceans are made up of saline water and cover about three quarters of the Earth's surface. Oceans contain hundreds of thousands of known species. Oceans that are enclosed are called seas. The closest seas to the UK are the North Sea, Irish Sea and the English Channel.



Key Vocabulary

Continent	Large area of land
Enclosed	Surrounded by something
Ocean	Large area of saline water
Saline	Salty
Species	Plants or Animals
Submerged	Covered my water
Sea	Smaller, enclosed or partly enclosed areas of saline water

Sticky Knowledge:

I can describe the world's oceans and continents and make comparisons between them.



Human features

Continents usually have many countries within them, apart from Australia which is a continent and a country. Antarctica has no countries and no inhabitants as it is a landmass entirely covered in ice. Because the country India is so big, it is called the Indian sub-continent of Asia.