

Summer Week 2 - Geography

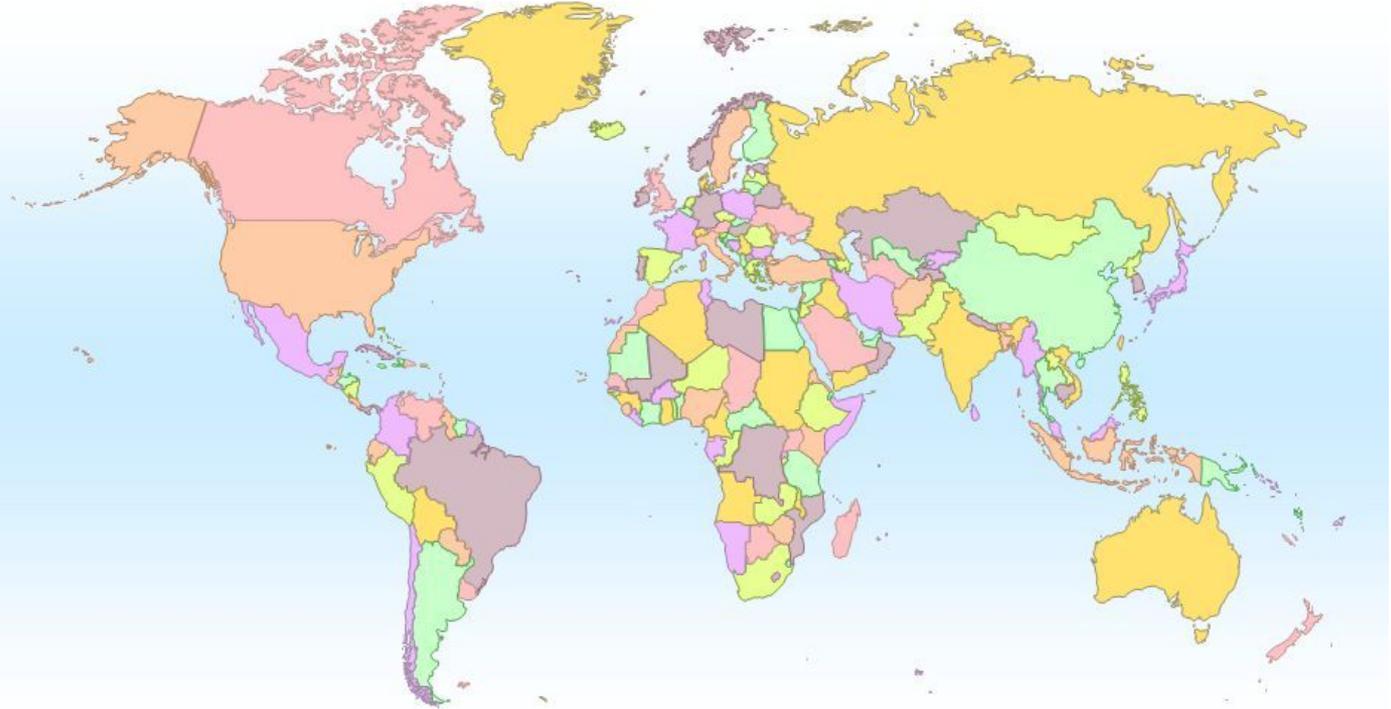
Lesson 1

Can I compare the United States of
America with the UK?

THE WORLD

Where is the UK on
a world map?
Point to it with
your finger.

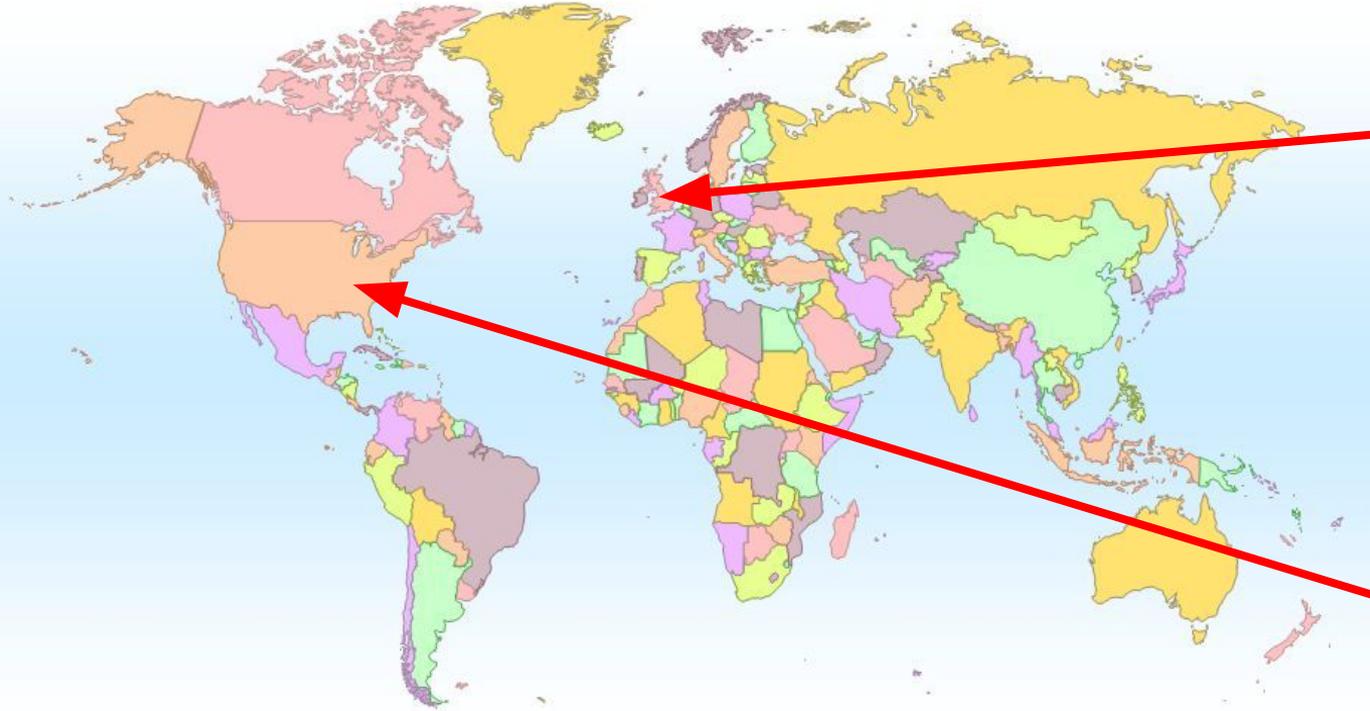
Do you know
where the United
States of America
is? Point to it with
your finger.



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THE WORLD

Where are the UK and the USA on a world map?



This is the UK on the world map. Did you get this right?

This is the USA on the world map. What other countries is it close to?

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Watch this video about the geography of the USA.

<https://safeYouTube.net/w/PnW2>

The USA is a country within the continent of North America. This means there are other countries in this continent, but **we are focusing on the USA.**

Make a list of 3 new things that you learnt about the USA from the video.



What are some of the main similarities between the USA and the UK?

- The main language in both countries is English.
- Both countries have a parliamentary democracy, which means citizens vote to elect their political leader.
- Both countries share a lot of the same restaurants.
- The main religions of the countries are very similar.
- The culture of the two countries is also very similar.
- They are both very powerful throughout the world.

What are some of the main differences between the USA and the UK?

- Americans have a President, not a Prime Minister.
- They use US dollars instead of pounds.
- The weather is very different to ours and can be a lot more extreme. The USA experiences hurricanes, tornadoes and snowstorms every year.
- The USA is a LOT bigger than the UK. The same as 40 UKs could fit into the USA...
- That means the USA has more geographical diversity - they have many different types of physical geography, such as: (see next pages!)

The Pacific Northwest...



The Rocky Mountains...



The Mid-west...



Cities like New York City...



And beaches like on the East Coast and California!



Bethany Beach, Delaware



El Matador Beach, California

Along with many different regions, the USA also have lots of stunning geographical and geological features, such as...



Yellowstone National Park



Yellowstone is formed by a huge, active supervolcano.

These animals are called bison - we certainly don't have them in the UK!



Grand Canyon National Park



The Grand Canyon was formed over hundreds of millions of years by the Colorado River pushing through the rock.

Monument Valley

Monument Valley is a Native American tribal land where natural monuments have been formed by the wind.



Niagara Falls

Niagara Falls is the largest waterfall in the USA.



Activity

Using the diagram on your sheet, write 5 similarities and 5 differences between the USA and the UK.

Red - sentences have been given, you need to sort these into similarity or difference.

Yellow - key sentences have been given, but you need to think of 2 of your own similarities and differences.

Green - fill in the diagram without any help. See if you can add one extra similarity and difference. Use any resources you have available to research - including Google!