

Continents and Oceans

Prior Learning:

In EYFS, I was introduced to the concepts of hot and cold environments through the study of animals such as penguins and chimpanzees. I also developed observational skills by exploring the school environment and identifying its key features. In Year One, my knowledge was further developed through the study of features of the local area, before extending to an understanding of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas.

Key Vocabulary

continent		A large land mass. There are seven continents on Earth.
ocean		Large areas of water that cover the Earth.
population		The number of people who live in a particular place.
conservation		Ways we can protect and look after things.

Key places



The Arctic Ocean



The Atlantic Ocean
(near the equator)

Key Learning

What does the Earth consist of?

How can we describe location?

What and where is the equator?

What is life like near the equator?

What is life like at the Arctic?

How do people affect oceans?



We live in the United Kingdom. The United Kingdom is in Europe.

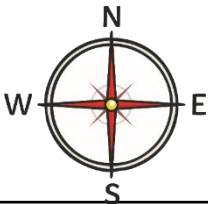
The Big Question

What does our world consist of?

Visual Vocabulary



The equator is an imaginary line around the middle of the Earth. It goes all the way around the planet.



A compass is an important tool for finding **direction**. It helps you to find your way when you are using a map. There are four main points of the compass: north, east, south and west.



The Arctic Ocean surrounds or is underneath the North Pole. The Arctic is a huge sheet of thick ice, which is on top of the water.



Human activity can be bad for our oceans. Sometimes people drop litter, like plastic, into the sea, which can harm sea animals. Oil spills can also make the ocean unhealthy. Fishing too much can mean there are not enough fish left for the future.

Cross Curricular Links

Mutual Respect

Science - Living things and their habitats