

## Core Knowledge

### Continents and Oceans

Continents are very large areas of land and there are seven on our Earth. Africa, Antarctica, Asia, Australia, Europe, North America, and South America. Surrounding these continents are huge bodies of salt water called oceans. There are five oceans: Atlantic Ocean, Arctic Ocean, Indian Ocean, Pacific Ocean, and Southern Ocean. The United Kingdom, is located in Europe and is next to the Atlantic ocean.

### United Kingdom

The United Kingdom is made up of four countries. They're, England, Wales, Ireland, and Scotland. We live in England, in a town called Reading just outside the capital, London. All countries are different in their own way, from the people that live there, to the type of weather. One area that is very different to England is the Arctic.

### The Arctic

The Arctic is a polar region located at the northernmost part of Earth, and is made up of frozen water called ice sheets, which float on the sea. It is incredibly cold and no trees grow there but despite these inhospitable conditions,

## Key Vocabulary

### Compass

An instrument that shows the four compass directions, north, east, south, west. Used with a map it can help you find out where you need to go.



### Continents

A continent is a large solid area of land.



### Country

Countries are regions with borders that make up the large masses of land we call continents.



the Arctic is home to many animals and plants. Many species living here have evolved special adaptations to live in the harsh environment. The Arctic is also home to humans but because of how isolated the area is, postal services are limited making it hard to send letters and parcels.

### Postal services

Postal services are used to physically transport postcards, letters and parcels. Historically, postal services were the only way of getting in touch with people that lived far away from you. Today we are able to send emails using computers and the internet, which makes communicating much easier. However, the post is still frequently used to send parcels which contain items that could be anything from a present to a jumper you might have forgotten at your grandparents house. The Royal Mail is the oldest postal service in the UK and has been delivering letters for over 500 years. Back then, letters were delivered by horse, today they are delivered in vans and sometimes even airplanes. Everyday there are well over 10 million letters delivered!

Email

A way to exchange messages between people using an electronic device.



Envelope

A flat paper container with a sealable flap, used to enclose a letter or document.



Globe

A spherical model of Earth, used to help us locate somewhere.



Letter

A message written on paper for someone.



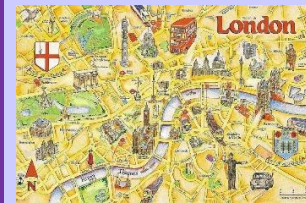
Locate

To find somewhere on a map.



Maps

A representation of an area of land or sea showing physical features, cities, roads,



Ocean

A large body of salt water.



Parcel

An object wrapped in paper in order to be carried or sent by post.



Post box

A large public box with a slot into which post is placed for collection by the post office.



Post office

A building where post is handled.



Postman

A person who delivers post.



	<p>Weather</p>	<p>Weather is the day to day or hour to hour change in atmosphere.</p> 
	<p>Address</p>	

Context Quiz	
Question	Answer
How many continents are there?	7
What is the capital of England?	London.

What is the Arctic made up of?	Frozen water called ice sheets
The United Kingdom is made up of how many countries?	4
What is a post box used for?	A place to post letters and small parcels.
What would you use to help you locate a place in a town?	A map.
What do you need to put your letter in before sending it to someone?	An envelope.
Where would you go to buy stamps and post parcels?	The post office