

## Our World

*We will find out about a range of countries, continents and oceans around the world including exploring weather, climate, traditions and celebrations, animals and culture.*

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### Background information

- There are 7 continents in the world.
- There are currently 195 countries in the world
- *There is approximately 57 million people living in England*
- There are approximately 8.1 billion people in the world.*
- Russia is the biggest country in the world. You can fit 70 Englands into Russia!

### Knowledge and Understanding

In this unit pupils will learn:

- about the different continents in the world.
- to locate a range of countries on a range of sources including maps, atlases and globes.
- the different geographical and characteristics of the countries studied (France, China, Australia, Kenya, USA, Brazil, Antarctica).
- to recognise different flags and currency.
- about and identify famous landmarks from each country.
- how England compares to other countries around the world.
- the size and population of each country.

### Enquiry skills and Key concepts

- identify countries, continents and oceans in atlases and on globes.
- use simple field work and observational skills to study the physical features of our environment.
- Identify the key features of a location. Use aerial images to recognise basic physical features.
- know that there are 7 continents and 5 oceans.
- compare different environments.
- understand geographical similarities and differences of two contrasting places.

### Key Vocabulary:

- Beach**- at the seaside - some are sandy, some have pebbles  
**Cliff**- a big drop from the land to the sea  
**Coast**- where the land meets the sea  
**Mountain**- a massive pile of rock pointing up that you can climb on  
**Sea/Ocean**- a large body of water  
**River**- a long, winding line of water that reaches the sea  
**Vegetation**- a name for all plants growing on land  
**Population**- the number of people who live somewhere  
**Climate**- the weather conditions over a period of time (e.g. hot, cold, wet)  
**City**- a large place where lots of people live  
**Town**- a medium-sized place where people live  
**Village**- a small area where people live, often in the countryside  
**Port**- where boats arrive to transport goods or people  
**Harbour**- where boats are moored (parked)  
**Human**- created by people  
**Physical**- created by nature  
**Field study**- recording the geography of a place  
**Landmark**- a famous place or building on the land  
**Map**- a drawing of a place from above  
**County**- one area of a country  
**Country** – e.g. England, Russia, Brazil, USA  
**Continent**- Groups of countries in the same part of the world (Europe, Asia)  
**Equator**- a line around the middle of the Earth where the hottest countries are  
**Capital**- an important city where the Government is based (Paris, Cairo, London)