

# Geography Knowledge Organiser - South America

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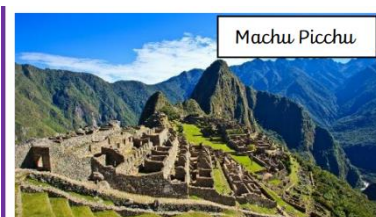
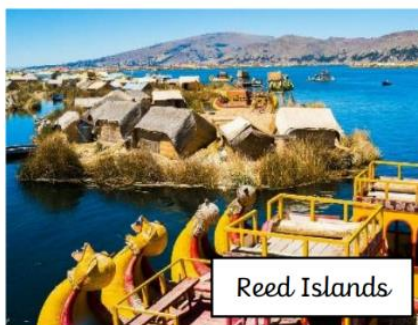
- Where is South America located in the world?
- What countries and capital cities make up South America?
- What are the main rivers and surrounding oceans of South America?
- What is the climate and weather like in South America and why might it differ between countries?
- What are the physical features of countries in South America and what impact do they have on human activity and population size?
- What are the major tourist attractions of South America?
- What are the main similarities and differences between South America and the UK?



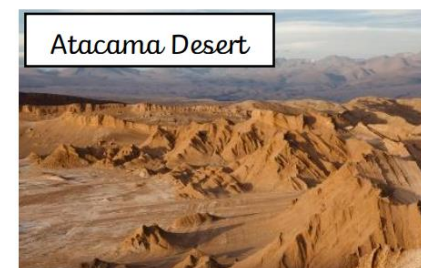
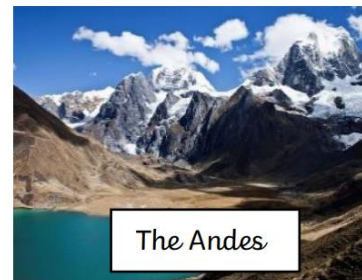
Key Vocabulary	
<b>Capital City</b>	The most important city of a country, usually where the central government operates from.
<b>Climate</b>	The regular pattern of weather conditions of a particular place.
<b>Coast</b>	Where the land meets the sea.
<b>Continent</b>	A large area of land that consists of several countries.
<b>Country</b>	An area of land that has or used to have its own government and laws.
<b>Desert</b>	An area that receives very little rain.
<b>Environmental region</b>	Areas of land with similar environments / physical features.
<b>Equator</b>	An imaginary line around the middle of the Earth at an equal distance from the North and South Pole.
<b>Fertile</b>	Land that is good for growing plants.
<b>Human feature</b>	A man-made feature of a place.
<b>Lake</b>	A large area of fresh water surrounded by land
<b>Location</b>	A place where something happens or exists; the position of something.
<b>Mountain Range</b>	A group of connected mountains.
<b>Physical feature</b>	A natural feature of a place
<b>Human geography</b>	How human activity affects or is influenced by the Earth's surface.
<b>Population</b>	The people that live in a place.
<b>Rainforest</b>	A forest that receives a large amount of rain all year round.
<b>Southern Hemisphere</b>	The half of the Earth that is south of the equator.
<b>Tropical</b>	Hot and humid.
<b>Vegetation belt</b>	An area characterised by certain plant life due to climatic conditions.
<b>Volcano</b>	A hole in the Earth where molten rock and gas erupts.

How can you compare different places?	
Physical Geography	Human Geography
The natural features of a place or environment	Features of an environment that have been shaped by people.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oceans and coastlines</li> <li>• Rivers and lakes</li> <li>• Mountains and volcanoes</li> <li>• Flora and fa</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Country/region boundaries</li> <li>• Buildings, roads and land use</li> <li>• Changes to river courses</li> <li>• Languages / signs</li> <li>• Religion, governance, music and art</li> </ul>

## Human features:



## Physical features:



## Environmental regions:

Fertile lowland - Pampas

Mountains - The Andes

Desert - Atacama Desert: driest desert in the world.

Rainforest - Amazon Basin.