



UKS2 Knowledge Organiser: South America



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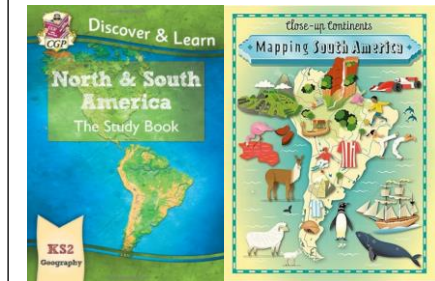
Subject Specific Vocabulary

time zone	a region in which all of the clocks are set to the same time
meridian	an imaginary line around the earth which passes through the North and South Pole - lines of longitude
Prime Meridian	a meridian which passes through Greenwich in England
climate zone	an area with distinct weather conditions including rainfall and temperature
biome	a large area on the Earth's surface that is defined by the types of animals and plants living there
flora	all the plants, trees, fungi and bacteria that may be present in a particular region
fauna	all the animal life in a particular region

Key Knowledge:

- The time in countries to the east of the Prime Meridian is always in front of that in the UK and the time in countries to the west of the Prime Meridian is always behind that of the UK.
- South America is a continent and Brazil is the largest country.
- Climate Zones:
 - polar - very cold temperatures and precipitation falls as snow
 - temperate - mild temperatures and moderate rainfall
 - arid - hot temperatures and little rain
 - tropical - hot and humid with lots of rain
 - Mediterranean - hot, dry summers and mild, wet winters
 - mountainous - cold temperatures and precipitation often falling as snow
- The majority of South America has a tropical climate.
- A biome is an area of land with a particular climate, flora and fauna.
- The biggest biome in South America is the Amazon Rainforest.

Books you might like:



What I've learnt previously:

The location of two regions of Europe in relation to the equator. The six types of climate (polar, temperate, arid, tropical, Mediterranean and mountainous). Compared the climates of the two regions.

This will help me to:

Use maps to locate South America, concentrating on its climate and biomes. Identify the Prime/Greenwich Meridian and time zones (including day and night).