

# World Geography – North and South America

## Human features:

Canada - CN Tower Toronto  
USA - The White House, Statue of Liberty  
Mexico - Chichen Itza  
Brazil - Statue of Christ the Redeemer  
Argentina – Plaza de Mayo

## Physical features:

Canada: Niagra Falls  
USA: Yellowstone National Park  
Mexico: Copper Canyon  
Brazil: Amazon Rainforest  
Argentina: Andes Mountains

## Trade Agreements

North America Free Trade Agreement  
Mercosur Trade Agreement

**Time Zones** – GMT -2 to GMT -11

## Main Natural Resources

North America – Agriculture, Forestry, coal, oil and gas  
South America – climate, agriculture, forestry, fishing, oil and gas, iron and copper

## Environmental Regions

**Region** – an area of land that has common features.

North America – The Caribbean, The Great Plains, The Mountainous West  
South America – mountains, coastal plains, river basins

## Capital Cities

Canada – Ottawa  
USA – Washington DC  
Mexico – Mexico City  
Brazil – Brasilia  
Argentina – Buenos Aires

## Earthquakes

When two pieces of the earth's crust suddenly move past one another along a fault line.

## Vocabulary:

**Equator** - an imaginary line around the Earth, exactly halfway between the North and South Poles, that divides Earth into two equal halves.

**Northern hemisphere** – above the equator.

**Southern hemisphere** – below the equator.

**Human geography** – the impact of people on the natural world.

**Physical geography** – the natural processes of the Earth.

**Characteristics** – the things that make a place different to others – can be both physical and human.

**Biome** – an area classified according to the species that live in that location e.g. forest, grassland, desert.

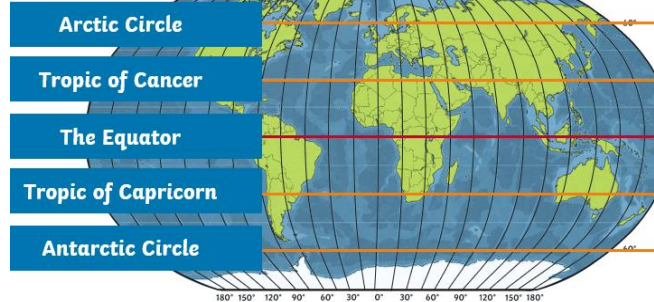
**Vegetation belt** - the main plant life within a certain area.

## Volcanic Eruption

The expulsion of gases, rock, and molten lava from within the Earth through a vent in the Earth's surface.



Mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes occur where tectonic plates meet.



Lines of Latitude →  
Lines of Longitude ↓

