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Map of North America

North America

North America is a continent in Earth's Northern and Western Hemispheres. It contains the countries Canada, Mexico, USA, and many others. In terms of area, it's the third-largest continent, after Asia and Africa. This huge size means that North America is host to a diverse range of climates and habitats.



Teotihuacan, Mexico



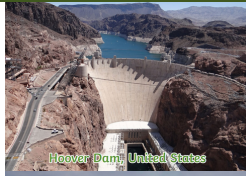
Empire State Building, United States



Grand Canyon, United States



Washington Monument, United States



Hoover Dam, United States



Niagara Falls, Canada



CN Tower, Canada



Golden Gate Bridge, United States



Mount Rushmore, United States



Statue of Liberty, United States

KEY VOCABULARY

Amazon Basin - the part of South America drained by the Amazon River and its tributaries.

Amazon River - the second-longest river in the world, running through the Amazon Rainforest in South America.

Compass Points - North, North East, East, South East, South, South West, West, North West.

City - a place where many people live closely together.

Continent - a large solid area of land.

Country - land that is controlled by a single government.

Latitude - horizontal, imaginary lines, running around parallel and at, equal distances above and below the equator.

Longitude - imaginary lines running from the North Pole to the South Pole at the earth's circumference.

Mountain - a landform that rises high above the surrounding terrain in a limited area.

Mountain Range - a series of mountains that are connected together generally to form a long line of mountains.

Physical Feature - a natural feature such as river, mountain, lake or forest.

River - a flowing stream of water that leads to the sea, a lake or another river.

Rockies - a massive mountain range of western North America.

Slum - a poor area of a big city.

State - a geographical area controlled by an association.

Tributary - a stream or river that flows into and joins a main river.

Village - a community made up of a small number of houses that is often found in a rural area

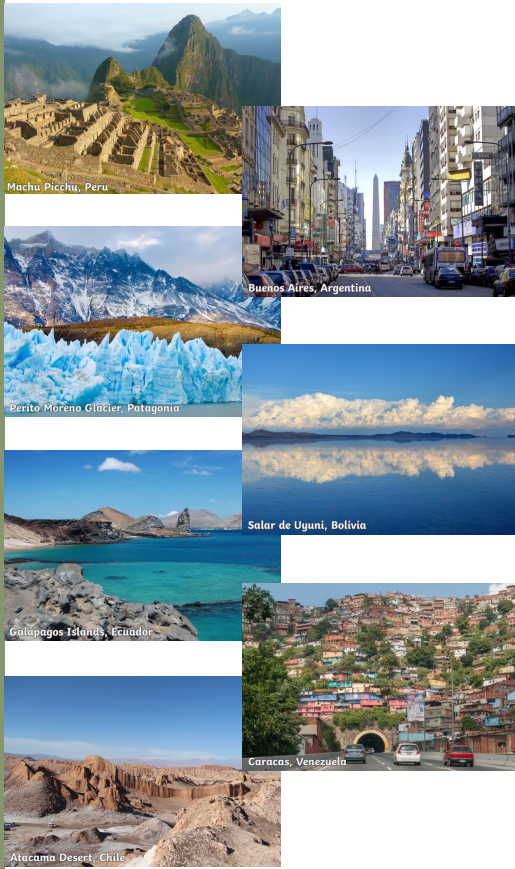


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South America

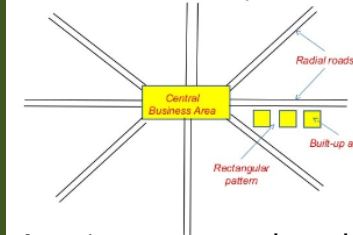
South America is Earth's fourth largest continent. It stretches from just above the equator down to the Antarctic. It is connected to North America by land. The Amazon River runs through South America and is surrounded by the world's largest rainforest.



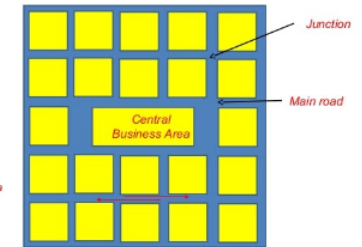
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Roads

Radial or star & block pattern



Rectangular or block pattern



America uses a numbered road system and often has roads running in a grid system in towns and cities.



Radial or star & Circular pattern



Housing

There are many types of homes in America, these can vary depending on the area and climate.

Different types of houses



Single-family



Townhouse



Multi-family



Modular home



Bungalow



Ranch home



Condos & Co-ops

NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSE DESIGNS

