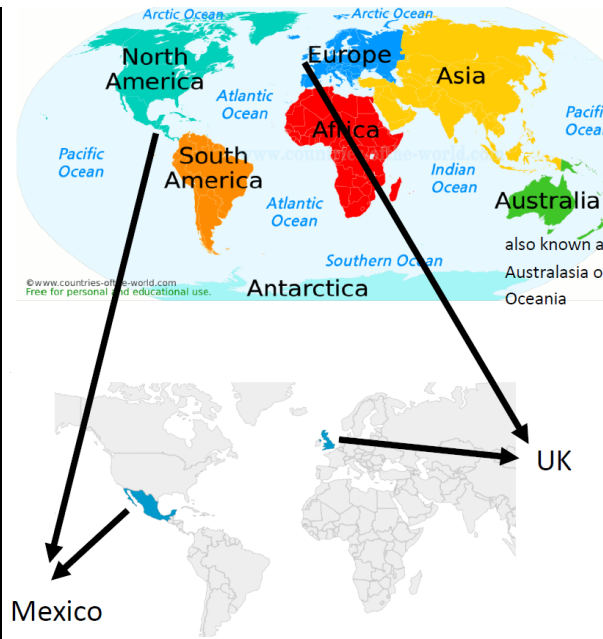


Hola Mexico!- Mexico (comparison study) Knowledge Organiser

Subject Specific Vocabulary


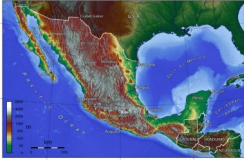
architecture	planning, designing, and constructing buildings.
canyon	a long, narrow valley with very steep sides
climate	the general weather conditions that are typical of a place
coastal	an area of land close to the sea
continent	a very large area of land that consists of many countries . Europe is a continent .
elevation	The elevation of a place is its height above sea level
empire	a number of individual nations that are all controlled by the government or ruler of one particular country
equator	an imaginary line around the middle of the Earth at an equal distance from the North Pole and the South Pole.
export	goods that are sold to other countries
fertile	rich in nutrients to support the growth of many plants
human feat.	features of land that have been impacted by human activity
metropolis	largest, busiest, and most important city in a country or region
migration	movement from one place to another in order to settle there
peninsula	a piece of land almost surrounded by water
physical feat.	natural features of land
precipitation	rain, snow, or hail
temperate	a place which is never extremely hot or extremely cold
tourist	a person who is visiting a place for pleasure and interest, especially when they are on holiday.
trade	the activity of buying, selling or exchanging goods and services
tropics	parts of the world that lie between two lines of latitude, the Tropic of Cancer, 23½° north of the equator, and the Tropic of Capricorn, 23½° south of the equator. The tropics have a humid climate, where the weather is hot and damp.
weather	the condition of the atmosphere in one area at a particular

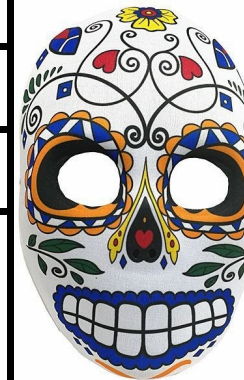


Sticky knowledge

1. Mexico is in the continent of North America (and sub-continent of Central America). It is bounded to the north by the United States, to the west and south by the Pacific Ocean, to the east by the Gulf of Mexico, and to the southeast by Belize, Guatemala, and the Caribbean Sea.
2. It is the most populated Spanish-speaking country in the world.
3. The Tropic of Cancer effectively divides the country into temperate and tropical zones
4. Mexican society is characterized by extremes of wealth and poverty.
- 5 Along the coast it is hot and humid, unbearably so in the summer. Inland communities are much dryer and more temperate. Mexico City, with its much higher elevation of 7545 ft (2300 meters) above sea level, can reach freezing temperatures in the winter.

Features of Mexico

Human	Physical
<p>Mexico has many villages, towns and cities.</p> <p>The capital city in Mexico is Mexico City, one of the biggest cities in the world. Mexico City began as the home of an ancient empire and grew into a massive, modern metropolis.</p>  <p>Many tourists visit Mexico, especially the coast and Mayan and Aztec ancient structures.</p> <p>Mexico's main exports include vehicles and electrical machinery.</p>	<p>There are deep canyons, peninsulas, tall mountains, dry deserts, national parks and forests. There is a long coastline, which attracts many tourists.</p> <p>Central Mexico is mountainous, with peaks reaching over 16,000 feet in elevation. Many of these peaks are volcanic - volcanic soil is very fertile.</p>  <p>Because of this soil and the fresh water from the mountains, the valleys of central Mexico were home to some of the oldest settled civilizations in the world.</p>



Day of the Dead

The festival takes place in the first two days in November. It is a positive celebration to remember loved ones who have died. Families set up brightly decorated altars with photographs of the deceased. Relatives place their loved ones' favourite foods on altars and skeleton costumes and skull decorations are popular.