



Biomes of North America



Teacher Challenge

How many 'states' of the USA can you learn? Challenge a Year 5 teacher to a 'State off' at the end of the project to see how many of the 50 states you can remember – good luck!

Additional Home Learning ideas:

- Write an acrostic poem about differences
- Choose two places in North America to compare with a Venn diagram
- Choose a category (sports/food etc) and write a list of all the different types found in North America
- Find out about the life of a ten-year-old child in a North American country – what is different to your life?
- Make a 'Fact File' about one country or state in North America
- Do another task from homework project sheet

North America is the only continent to contain all the biomes!

Various indigenous tribes lived or live in North America such as the Inuit and the Mayans.

North America consists of 23 countries; not just the USA!

The Caribbean islands are part of North America.

Did you know?

There are 50 states in the United States of America.

A native American tribe are called the 'Navajo' who are famous for their weaving.

Some of the World's most famous landmarks are in North America such as Chichén Itzá, the Grand Canyon, and the Empire State building.

If you travelled to Quebec in Canada, then ninety-five percent of people speak French!

Vocabulary

Geographical			Science		
Biomes	Area of land where the climate and habitat are similar	Characteristics	A feature; in Geography, this can be human or naturally occurring	State of matter	Whether a material is a solid, liquid or gas
Northern Hemisphere	The Northern part of our Earth	Vegetation Belt	The area of land between the equator and the tropics where the climate is hot	Solubility	Whether a material is able to dissolve
Southern Hemisphere	The Southern part of our Earth	Continent	One of the World's main expanses of land which may consist of many countries such as North America	Filtering	When two materials are split between a solid and liquid
Tropics	The area around the equator which has a tropical environment	Central America	A group of countries in the lower part of North America from Mexico down to Panama	Evaporating	When a liquid is heated and turns into a gas
Equator	A line which divides the Northern and Southern Hemisphere	Country	A region - What a continent is divided into such as Mexico, Canada	Dissolving	When a solid is heated in a liquid and becomes a solution
Taiga	A cold coniferous forest usually in the North	State	A part of a country. For example, California is a state in the USA	Solution	The mixture between a solid and liquid e.g. salt solution
Tundra	Frozen land	Settlement	Somewhere where humans live	Reversible	When a process can be reversed/ undone
Desert	An area where there is little or no water leaving it very dry	Land use	What the land is used for e.g. farming	Irreversible	When a process <i>cannot</i> be reversed/ undone

Concept - Big Questions

How might our lives have been different if we were born somewhere else?
How is each country and/or state in North America different?

Map of North America



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