

Around The World In 65 Days

Key People:



King George VI was the first leader of the Commonwealth when it was founded in December 1931. Queen Elizabeth II took over a leader in 1952 (when her father died).



David Cameron, a former British Prime Minister, called for a vote as to whether the United Kingdom stayed or left the European Union. This was known as Brexit.

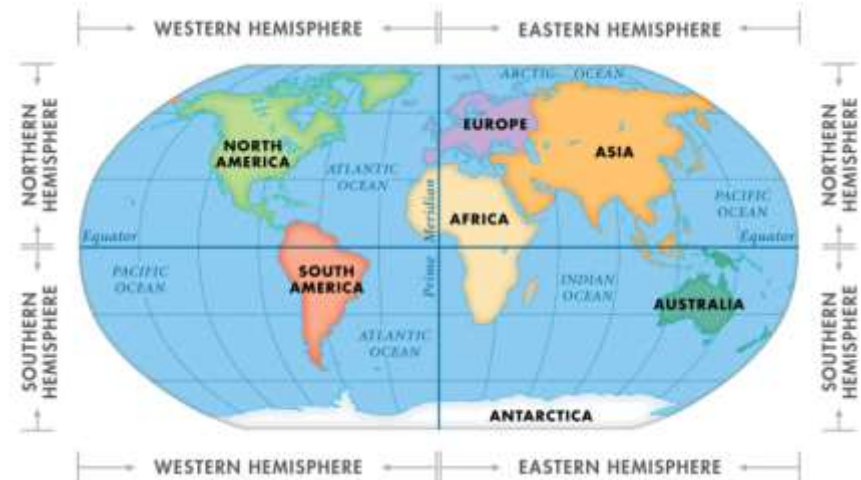
Key Vocabulary

European Union	The European Union (EU) was formed to bring together some countries within Europe – there are 27 countries within the EU. The EU helps its member countries with issues such as trade, security, and the rights of citizens.
Commonwealth	The commonwealth is a group of 54 countries from different continents who all have the aim of sharing their skills and knowledge to help each other. Queen Elizabeth II has led the Commonwealth since 6 th February 1952.
Global Trade	Trade is the buying and selling of goods. Goods are objects that people grow or make: food, clothes, and computers. Global trade means that these goods are transported across the world.
Import/ Export	When one country buys something from another country, it's called an import. When a country sells something to another country, it's called an export.
Economy	In simple terms, one part of the economy is how much money is made from the trading of goods between countries.
Human geography	Looking at the human side of an area: population, languages and religions etc. Human geography looks closely at how people live their life and the reasons for it.
Physical geography	The observation and measure of specific land regions: climate, forestry, mountains, rivers.
Climate	Climate is the measurements of temperature, wind and rain in a place over the course of years.
Time Zones	Time zones give specific areas on the Earth a time of day that is earlier or later than the neighbouring time zones.

Key Questions and Facts

When did Britain leave the European Union?	After a national vote in 2016, Britain decided to leave the European Union. More than 30 million people voted and Leave won by 51.9 per cent to 48.1 per cent. This then led to 'Brexit'. After many discussions, Britain left the EU on 31 st January 2020 – this was the end of 47 years of membership.
Why did Britain leave the European Union?	One of the biggest reasons for leaving the EU was so the Britain could trade freely with any countries that they choose – not the ones prescribed by the European Union.
Why do different countries trade different items?	Sometimes, countries cannot grow certain items due to their particular climate. For example, a hot country will be able to grow and trade exotic fruits whereas colder countries are unable to buy them.
How much does the United Kingdom import from other countries?	The United Kingdom mainly imports from Germany, China, the Netherlands, France and Belgium-Luxembourg. The biggest imports are food, machinery, cars, petrol and packaged medicines.
Why do different countries have different climates?	Different countries have different climates due to their position on the Earth. Countries found on the equator tend to be the hottest countries as they get more hours of direct sunlight. The further away from the equator, the colder the countries.
Why do different countries have different time zones?	This is all due to the positioning of the sun across the day. When it is 9am on one side of the world, it is night time on the other side of the world.

Our World



Links to Prior Learning

Year 5 & 6 – Fair trade. Where does our food come from?

Year 6 – Time Zones – the positioning, rotation and movement of the Earth across a day.