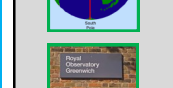
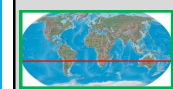
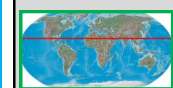


Geography: What have we learnt from the Mayans?

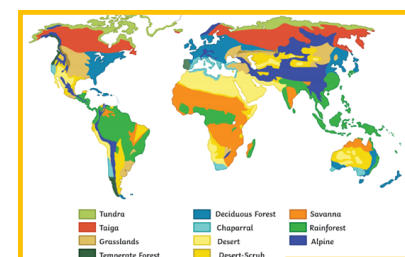
What should I already know?

I can name and locate counties and cities of the United Kingdom and locate the geographic regions in Europe, North America and South America using a range of sources. In KS2, I studied The Stone Age, Ancient Egyptians, The Roman, Bolton and Manchester, The Greeks, The Anglo Saxons, Islamic Civilisation and The Vikings. I can identify human and physical characteristics, land-use patterns; and understand how some of these aspects have changed over time. I can compare and contrast the use of land during different periods of history. I have studied the features of rivers, mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes, as well as the water cycle. I understand trade links and different types of settlements. I am able to apply the 8 points of a compass, 4 and 6 figure grid references, and understand symbols and keys on a map.

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| Mesoamerica | The name for Central America and the civilisations that lived there before the arrival of the Spanish in the 1500's. |
| Tropic of Cancer | A line of latitude around the Earth around 23.5° north of the equator. |
| Tropic of Capricorn | A line of latitude around the Earth around 23.5° south of the equator. |
| Time Zone | Countries all over the world are divided into 24 time zones, based on longitudinal lines. |
| Prime Meridian | A line of longitude which runs through Greenwich, UK. It is 0° longitude. It is also known as Greenwich Meridian. |
| Greenwich Mean Time | GMT is the clock time at the Royal Observatory in Greenwich, London. When the sun is at its highest point over the Prime Meridian, it is 12:00 noon at Greenwich. |
| Arctic Circle | A line of latitude that runs around 66.5 degrees north of the Equator. Everything north of this circle is known as the Arctic. |
| Antarctic Circle | A line of latitude that runs around 66.5 degrees south of the Equator. Everything south of this circle is known as the Arctic. |
| Topography | Topography is the study of the shape and features of land surfaces. |
| Tees-Exe line | The Tees-Exe line is an imaginary northeast-southwest line that can be drawn on a map of Great Britain which roughly divides the island into lowland and upland regions. |



Mesoamerica



World biomes



The Mayans were clever and devised different ways of farming to combat these problems; slash-and-burn, raised fields and terraced farming.



The Maya made their home in northern Central America. Today, this is southern Mexico, most of Guatemala, all of Belize, the northern tip of Honduras, and a northeast piece of El Salvador.