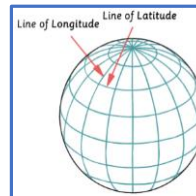


Key Vocabulary

biomes	A large geographical area which is home to certain plants and animals, specially adapted to suit the environment.
climate	The usual or average weather conditions over a long period of time.
continent	A large landmass made up of many countries .
country	An area that is controlled by its own government.
equator	An imaginary line around the globe at latitude 0° north dividing the earth into northern and southern hemispheres.
flora/fauna	Plant and animal life.
latitude	Imaginary parallel lines which circle the globe from east to west.
longitude	Imaginary lines which run north to south across the globe from pole to pole.
weather	The specific atmospheric conditions on a given day including temperature and rainfall.



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Amazon
Rainforest, Brazil



Niagara Falls,
Ontario/New York



Machu
Picchu, Peru

The Americas

- The Americas are two separate **continents** consisting of North America and South America.
- North America contains 23 different countries.
- The Americas cover a huge area of the globe, extending over several lines of **latitude** and **longitude**.
- The characteristics of different countries and regions vary significantly, including **weather**, land use and **flora** and **fauna**.



Grand
Canyon, Arizona

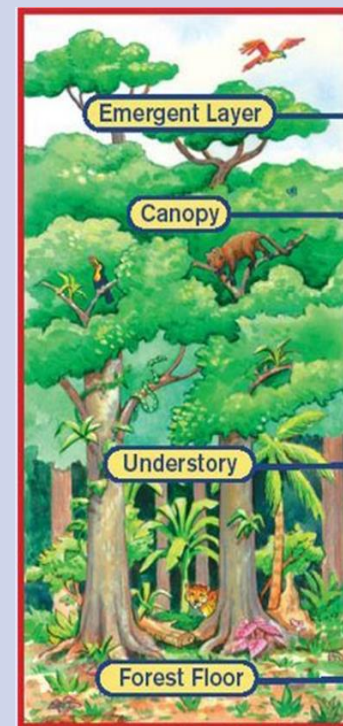


Yosemite Valley,
California



Chichen
Itza, Mexico

Rainforest layers



How can we compare different places?

Physical Geography

The natural features of a place or environment.

- oceans and coastlines
- rivers and lakes
- mountains and volcanoes
- flora** and **fauna**
- land-form

Human Geography

Features of an environment that have been shaped by people.

- country**/region boundaries
- buildings, roads and land use
- changes to river courses
- language/signs
- religion, government, art and music



Brazil

Brazil is the largest country in South America and the 5th largest in the world. It covers nearly half the entire continent. Over half the population of South America live in Brazil. Brazil shares a border with every country in South America, apart from Chile and Ecuador. The capital city is Brasilia, but Sao Paulo and Rio de Janeiro are more famous cities.

