

Topic – Continents and Oceans

Strand: Locational knowledge/Human and physical geography

What should I already know?

- The **country** I live in is called **England**.
- I live in Haywards Heath which is a **town** in **England**.
- **England** is a country in the United Kingdom (**England**, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland).
- **Great Britain** (**England**, Scotland, Wales) is an **island**—it is **surrounded** by seas:
 - Irish Sea
 - North Sea
 - English Channel

Continents

- There are seven **continents**:
 - Europe
 - Asia
 - Africa
 - North America
 - South America
 - Antarctica
 - Australasia (Oceania)

Oceans

- There are five **oceans**:
 - Pacific **Ocean**
 - Atlantic **Ocean**
 - Indian **Ocean**
 - Southern **Ocean**
 - Arctic **Ocean**

Facts about the continents (ordered by size)

Continent	Surrounded by these oceans	Number of countries	Example of a country that can be found there
Asia	Arctic Indian Pacific	50	India
Africa	Atlantic Indian	54	Kenya
North America	Arctic Atlantic Pacific	23	United States of America
South America	Atlantic Pacific	12	Brazil
Antarctica	Southern	-	-
Europe	Atlantic Arctic	51	United Kingdom
Australia	Indian Pacific	14	Australia

Vocabulary

city	a large town. London is a city.
compass point	any of the main points of a compass: north, south, east and west
continent	a very large area of land that consists of many countries. Europe is a continent .
country	an area of land that is controlled by its own government.
England	a country in the United Kingdom . Haywards Heath is a town in England .
island	a piece of land that is completely surrounded by water
Great Britain	An island that is made up of England , Scotland and Wales.
ocean	one of the five very large areas of salt water on the Earth's surface.
sea	a large area of salty water that is part of an ocean
surrounded	to be present all around
United Kingdom	The UK , is officially known as the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. It includes England , Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.
village	a small group of houses, perhaps with a few shops, that are often in the countryside. Lindfield is a village .



Where do I live?

- Haywards Heath is a **town** in the **country** of **England**.
- **England** is in the **United Kingdom**.
- The **United Kingdom** is a **country** in the **continent** of Europe.

Geographical Skills and Fieldwork

- Find the five **oceans** and seven **continents** using map skills. Can you also find them in an atlas and on a globe?
- Use Google Earth to find Haywards Heath. Zoom out until you see the UK. Now zoom out until you see Europe. Now zoom out until you can see the world. Discuss what you notice.
- Use the **compass points** to describe the **continents** in relation to each other (e.g. Asia is to the east of Europe and to the north of Australia).

