

Europe Knowledge Organiser

Vocabulary

continent	There are seven continents in the world. Europe, Asia, Africa, North and South America, Australasia, Antarctica).
hemisphere	The earth can be divided into two half spheres. We will refer to the northern and southern halves which are either sides of the equator. The earth can also be divided into western and eastern halves by an imaginary line passing through the poles.
Equator	An imaginary line the runs horizontally around the earth.
physical	Feature such as rivers, forests, mountains and seas are referred to as physical features.
human geography	This is the changes and effects that humans have on the world. These include towns, cities, farms as well as ports.
Monuments	These are famous buildings that are outstanding or special in some way.
Landmarks	an object or feature of a landscape or town that is easily seen and recognized from a distance, especially one that enables someone to establish their location.
European Union	The European Union (EU) is a political and economic union of 28 member states that are located primarily in Europe.

Map and Overview

Europe	A continent located entirely in the Northern hemisphere and mostly in the Eastern hemisphere
Population	Despite being the 2 nd smallest continent by land area (10.2 million km sq) it is the third most populated continent in the world, with a population of 747,328,003



Rivers and Mountains

Longest Rivers

Pechora-1809 km
 Don - 1870 km
 Dneiper-2201 km
 Ural - 2428 km
 Danube - 2850 km
 Volga - 3530 km

Highest Mountains

Tetnaldi - 4850 m
 Kazbek - 5033 m
 Koshran Tou - 5151 m
 Shkhara - 5193 m
 Dykh Tou - 5205 m
 Elbrus - 5642 m

Human Geography Features

Eiffel Tower	The Eiffel Tower is possibly the best known manmade structure in Europe. It is situated in Paris, France. It is the most visited paid monument in the world.
Stonehenge	Stonehenge is a prehistoric monument, located in Wiltshire, U.K. It contains a ring of stones about 4m high and weighing 25 tonnes each.
Berlin Wall	This was a concrete barrier that divided Berlin, Germany from 1961 until 1989. The wall prevented people moving between East and West Germany.
The Colosseum	This is an oval amphitheatre in the centre of Rome, Italy. It is the largest amphitheatre ever built, dating back to Roman times. It was built between 72 and 80 AD.
Dubrovnik	This is a famous walled city on the Adriatic coast of Croatia. It is a major tourist destination and a World Heritage Site. It was historically a major centre for sea trade.

Physical Geography Features

The Danube	Europe's second largest river. It flows through 10 countries; more than any other river in the world. These include Austria, Hungary, Croatia and Serbia.
The Giants Causeway	An area of the coast in of County Antrim in Northern Ireland in which there are around 40,000 interlocking columns.
The Black Forest	The Black Forest is a heavily wooded area of Northern Germany. It is called this because the trees are so densely packed that it blocks light below.
The Alps	The highest mountain range that lies entirely within Europe. They stretch for about 1,200 km.