

Geography Subject Knowledge Bank

Year 4: All about Europe: Where and what is Europe?

| Vocabulary | Definition |
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| European countries | Albania (Tirana), Andorra (Andorra del Vella), Austria (Vienna), Belarus (Minsk), Belgium (Brussels), Bosnia and Herzegovina (Sarajevo), Bulgaria (Sofia), Croatia (Zagreb), Cyprus (Nicosia), Czech (Prague), Denmark (Copenhagen), Estonia (Tallinn), Finland (Helsinki), France (Paris), Germany (Berlin), Greece (Athens), Hungary (Budapest), Iceland (Reykjavik), Ireland (Dublin), Italy (Rome), Latvia (Riga), Liechtenstein (Vaduz), Lithuania (Vilnius), Luxembourg (Luxembourg city), Malta (Valletta), Moldova (Chisinau), Monaco, Montenegro (Podgorica), Netherlands (Amsterdam), North Macedonia (Skopje), Norway (Oslo), Poland (Warsaw), Portugal (Lisbon), Romania (Bucharest), Russia (Moscow), San Marino, Serbia (Belgrade), Slovakia (Bratislava), Slovenia (Ljubljana), Spain (Madrid), Sweden (Stockholm), Switzerland (Bern), Ukraine (Kiev), United Kingdom (London) |



Where do people visit in Europe?

Among the most visited tourist sites and landmarks in Europe are:

- Tower of London in the UK
- Eiffel Tower in France
- Neuschwanstein Castle in Germany
- Alhambra in Spain
- Kremlin in Russia
- Acropolis in Greece
- Coliseum in Italy

Where is Europe?

- The European continent is located completely in the northern hemisphere and mainly in the eastern hemisphere.
- Europe borders onto the Arctic Ocean in the North, the Atlantic Ocean in the West and the Mediterranean Sea in the South.
- Europe is the continent with the highest population density, which means on the European continent live the biggest number of people per square kilometre.

Rivers, mountains and coasts

- The Volga River in Russia is Europe's longest river. It is 3,692 km/ 2,295 miles long.
- Danube. The river that flows through ten countries is the second longest river in Europe with 2,860 km/ 1,777 miles.
- Norway has the longest coastline in Europe with over 100,000 km/ 62,000 miles; and it is the second longest in the world.
- Mount Elbrus is the highest Mountain in Europe at 5642 metres

How large is Europe?

- There are 50 countries in Europe with a total of more than 742 million people living on the continent.
- The European part of Russia covers more area than any other country. The largest countries completely located in Europe are: The Ukraine and France.
- Vatican City is the smallest country not only in Europe, but also in the world. The city state, an enclave within Italy, is the smallest country both by population and by size.
- Moscow is the largest city with 13 million people