

Key Vocabulary

Tropical Zone	A region of the Earth surrounding the equator, between the Tropic of Cancer in the Northern Hemisphere and the Tropic of Capricorn in the Southern Hemisphere.
Temperate Zone	The regions of the Earth between the Tropic of Cancer and the Arctic Circle in the Northern Hemisphere and between the Tropic of Capricorn and the Antarctic Circle in the Southern Hemisphere.
Biomes	A large naturally occurring community of flora and fauna occupying a major habitat, e.g. forest or tundra.
Tributaries	A river or stream flowing into a larger river or lake.
Flora	The plants of a particular region, habitat, or geological period.
Fauna	The animals of a particular region, habitat, or geological period.

What I should already know:

- ◆ How to locate some of the world's climate zones on a globe or map, name examples and have some understanding of them.
- ◆ Describe and give examples of the variety of biomes and vegetation belts.
- ◆ Be able to use appropriate geographical vocabulary to describe weather, climate, climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts.
- ◆ Be able to identify the world's hottest, coldest, wettest and driest locations.

Key questions

- ◆ Where is South America?
- ◆ What is it like to live in the Amazon region?
- ◆ How is the region being damaged and how can we protect it?

What I will know by the end of the unit:

- ◆ I will extend my knowledge and understanding beyond their local area to include South America
- ◆ Develop my use of geographical knowledge, understanding and skills to enhance my locational and place knowledge.
- ◆ Locate the world's countries using maps and digital/computer mapping and concentrate on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries and major cities.
- ◆ Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region in South America.
- ◆ Describe and understand key aspects of physical and human geography.

