

Knowledge Organisers

These one page, fully editable knowledge organisers have been put together to support teachers when introducing a topic to their pupils. All of the knowledge organisers work alongside Oddizzi's schemes of work, pathway document and the year group vocabulary and glossary banks.

Suggested Use

- Encourage prior research
- Discussed as a class at the beginning of a topic
- Stuck into books to refer back to throughout the unit
- Displayed in the classroom for reference
- Setting expectations for vocabulary to be used by pupils in their learning

Structure

Each organiser contains:

- A **summary** of what will be covered in each unit of study
- **Key Facts**
- **Key Knowledge**
- A **vocabulary list** split into three helpful categories: place names, geographical terms and processes and locational terms
- Key **glossary terms** chosen from Oddizzi's Progression in Vocabulary document
- Pictures

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Dog Kennel Hill Primary School Knowledge Organiser – Year 5

South America Amazon Basin

What will we be learning?

- The location of South America.
- The human and physical features of the area.
- The countries and capital cities of the area.
- Comparing Brazil with our country.
- The characteristics of the Amazon Basin.
- The importance of the Amazon Rainforest.

Key facts

The 12 independent countries of South America:

Argentina, Brazil, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Uruguay, Venezuela.

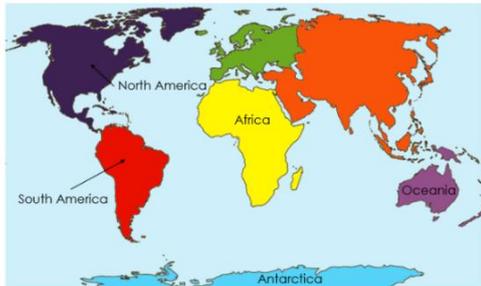
Key knowledge

South America's biggest country is Brazil. Here you'll find the Amazon Rainforest, home to a huge number of animals, plants and insects.

Most of this continent is hot and wet, but there are deserts here too, as well as ice-fields.

There's also the highest waterfall in the world – Angel Falls in Venezuela – and famous landmarks like the Christ statue and Sugarloaf Mountain in Brazil.

The north of South America is on or close to the Equator. This means that a large portion of the continent has a tropical climate.



Place names	Geographical terms and processes	Locational terms
Amazon Basin Bolivia Brazil Ecuador Peru Venezuela	agriculture ecosystem food chain humidity river basin volume	equatorial International Date Line longitude Prime Meridian Tropic of Capricorn Western Hemisphere

Glossary

agriculture: *farming*

drainage: *how water flows away from an area through rivers and streams*

equatorial: *the hot, wet climate in areas close to the Equator*

river basin: *the area of land drained by a river and all its tributaries*