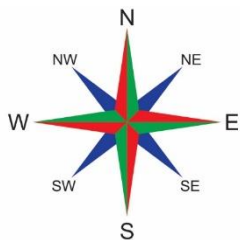


What should I already know?

- 7 continents and 5 oceans
- Types of human and physical characteristics.
- Europe is a continent.
- Countries and capital cities in Europe.
- Physical and human geography of Europe.
- The compass points – N, NE, E, SE, S, SW, W, NW.

Geography skills and fieldwork

- Locate Italy on a map of Europe.
- Locate physical features.
- Know human features of Italy.
- Compare Italy with the UK.



Rome

- Due to its position closer to the Equator Italy is warmer than the UK. On average, Rome is 7°C hotter than London.
- London has a much larger population than Rome. 8.4 million compared to 2.9 million.
- Rome is built on seven hills.
- The Tiber River flows from the Apennine Mountain, to the Tyrrhenian Sea.
- Human features include The Colosseum, Vatican City, The Spanish Steps, and The Pantheon.

What will I find out by the end of the unit?

Physical geography

- Italy a coastline on the Mediterranean Sea and borders France, Switzerland, Austria, Slovenia, the Vatican City and San Marino.
- The highest peak is Monte Bianco, which is 4,807m high.
- The Apennines is a mountain range, which separates east Italy from west Italy and the Alps are in the north of the country.
- The north of the country contains large lakes-
- The longest river in Italy is the Po River, which is about 405 miles long.
- Italy contains two large islands: Sicily and Sardinia.
- There are three active volcanoes – Vesuvius, Etna and Stromboli. Etna is the most active volcano in Europe.

Human geography

- The population of Italy is around 60 million people.
- The most populous cities in Italy are Rome, Milan and Naples. Many people visit Rome each year to see its Roman history, including the famous Colosseum.
- Automobiles and machinery, Italian wine grains, and olive oil are exported across the world.

Vocabulary

continent	one of the world's seven major areas of land
capital city	a country's major city where the government is located
Northern Hemisphere	top half of the world, above the equator
border	a line separating counties
ocean/sea	a vast body of water
mountain	a raised part of the Earth's surface – bigger than a hill
river	natural wide flow of fresh water across the land into the sea
volcano	mountain or hill, having a crater through which lava, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust
human feature	man-made feature of a country
physical feature	natural feature of a country e.g. river, mountain
population	number of people living in a country



The Colosseum



The Spanish Steps



The Pantheon