

Pathfinders - Paddington's Passport

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Overview

"Paddington's Passport" is a thematic unit based around the worldwide travels of Paddington Bear, with a geography focus. We will look first at Peru, including the Amazonian rainforest (of which Peru has the second-largest portion after the Brazilian Amazon). Then, the focus is on London, reinforcing previous learning about the UK within the global context of continents and oceans.

Why?

Why are there different animals in Peru from the UK?

- The climates of the two countries are very different. The rainforest is warm and wet and has thousands of amazing creatures suited to living there.
- There is a colder climate in the UK and so different animals live there that are more suited to the weather and environment.



What?

What are the continents and oceans?

- There are seven continents in the world: Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Antarctica, Europe and Australasia
- There are five oceans: Arctic, Atlantic, Indian, Pacific, Southern

What are the four countries in the UK?

- England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. London is the capital city of England; Edinburgh is the capital city of Scotland; Cardiff is the capital city of Wales; Belfast is the capital city of Northern Ireland.

Where?

Where in the world are the UK and Peru?

- The UK is off the north west coast of Europe. It is surrounded by sea.
- Peru is in South America. Peru faces the Pacific Ocean, which is the biggest ocean in the world.
- Lima is the capital city of Peru.

How?

How would we travel from England to Peru?

- The quickest way to travel from England to Peru is by aeroplane. You could also go by sea, but that would take longer.

Who?

Who is Paddington Bear?

- Paddington is a spectacled bear from Peru. He comes to live with the Brown family in London, England, and has all sorts of adventures. The Paddington stories are by Michael Bond.

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How to...

...find places on globes

- A globe is a round ball like the earth. A ball is the best way to show what the earth looks like because it is the same shape. Globes have a grid showing imaginary lines on a world map. These lines can help you find places on the globe.



Concept Flow

- To name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans
- To name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas
- Identify the United Kingdom and its countries, as well as the countries, continents and oceans studied at this key stage using world maps and globes



Vocabulary

Aerial view: a picture of something taken from above

Capital: where the government of a country is based

Climate: the type of weather experience in a place over time

Continent: a jigsaw of countries joined together

Government: leaders of a country

Globe: a map of the world placed on a sphere which turns on an axis

Lima: the capital city of Peru

London: the capital city of England

Ocean: a very large sea

Peru: a country in South America

Rainforest: a forest in a warm country, with very heavy rain all year

Route: where to go

Spectacles: glasses to help you see

Suitcase: a case for carrying your belongings when you travel

Survival: staying alive

