

Vocabulary	Meaning		
Equator	An imaginary line drawn to divide the Earth into northern and southern hemispheres, at an equal distance from the North and South Pole		
Coordinates	A group of numbers use to indicate the position of a point, line or plane		
Hemisphere	A half of the Earth, usually divided into northern and southern halves		
Projection	A method for representing part of the surface of the earth on a 2D surface		
Area	The measurement of a surface or piece of land		
Cylindrical	Having straight parallel sides and in the shape of s cylinder		
Navigation	The process of identifying one's position and following a route		
Scale	A ratio of size in a map, model, drawing or plan		
Physical features	Natural geographical features consisting of landforms and ecosystems		
Polar region	The regions of the Earth between North or South Pole or Arctic or Antarctic Circles		
Time zone	A range of longitudes where a common standard time is used		
Longitude	The angular distance of a place east or west of the Greenwich meridian		
Prime Meridian	A planet's meridian adopted as the zero of longitude		
Climate	The general weather conditions in an area or over a long period of time		
Climate change	A change in global or regional climate patterns		
Zone	An area of land having a particular characteristic, purpose or use		

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	The Hemispheres	0 75 150 300 Kilometers 0 25 50 100 150 200 Miles	Prime Meridian meridians Meridian meridians

Key knowledge – to understand how maps are used for different purposes



A map projection is a method used to represent the 3D surface of the earth on a 2D plane.



A **political map** shows boundaries of countries, states, cities and countries. Anything that is man-made will show up on a political map.



A physical map shows geographical features and can be used to identify deserts, plains, mountains and waterbodies.



Latitude and longitude is a gridded coordinate systems across the surface of the Earth that allows us to locate places accurately. Latitude lines run horizontally; they are also known as parallels. The vertical lines on a map are called longitude lines, also known as meridians.