
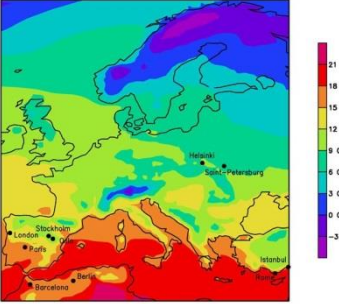



## Europe

Context: The U.K. is part of Europe, one of the smallest continents

Concepts: place •space •environment •interconnection •scale •change

Facts	Vocabulary
1. Europe is the second smallest continent	1. peninsula – a piece of land surrounded by water on three sides
2. Europe is made up of 44 countries - Albania, Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Belarus, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Croatia, Cyprus, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Luxemburg, Lithuania, Malta, Monaco, Moldova, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Russia, Romania, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Turkey, Sweden, Switzerland, Spain, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro	
3. Europe is a continent located entirely in the northern hemisphere, and mostly in the eastern hemisphere Despite being the 2 <sup>nd</sup> smallest continent by area, covering 10.2 million Km <sup>2</sup> ) it is the 3 <sup>rd</sup> most populous continent in the world with a population of about 10% of the world's population The European climate is affected by warm Atlantic currents	
4. Definition of a biome and vegetation belts: an area or region with a distinctive community of plants and animals.	
5. Tectonic plates: are pieces of Earth's crust and uppermost mantle, together referred to as the lithosphere. The <b>plates</b> are around 100 km (62 mi) thick and consist of two principal types of material: oceanic crust (also called sima from silicon and magnesium) and continental crust (sial from silicon and aluminium).	<p><b>Most populous European countries</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Russia – 109 million (in Europe)</li> <li>2. Germany – 83 million</li> <li>3. France – 67 million</li> <li>4. UK – 66 million</li> <li>5. Italy – 60 million</li> </ol>
6. Biomes in Europe: a) Tundra – below freezing for most of the year. There is a brief warm period in the summer months which brings shrubs, lichens, mosses and flowers to life. b) Coniferous forest – whole of Northern Europe (Finland, Sweden and Norway) c) Deciduous forest – cool summers and mild winters. Rain throughout the year. d) Mediterranean – hot, dry summers and warm, wet winters e) Mountains – very cold, thin soils, limited vegetation	<p>You tube:  <a href="https://youtu.be/RNx0akt3_XI">https://youtu.be/RNx0akt3_XI</a>  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zOti8U_-BNM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zOti8U_-BNM</a>  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zs_DldO_G1w">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zs_DldO_G1w</a></p>
7. Physical geography: a) Great European Plain – largest mountain free landform in Europe. b) Mountainous regions – Grampian Mountains, Scandinavian Mountains, Ural Mountains, Pyrenees, Carpathians, Caucasus, Balkans, Alps (Mont Blanc –highest mountain in Europe) c) Main rivers - the Danube, the Volga, the Loire, the Rhine and the Elbe. d) Active volcanoes - Mount Etna and Mount Vesuvius in Italy.	
8. Human geography: a) There are 24 official languages spoken in Europe. b) The major <b>religions</b> are Christianity, Islam, and Judaism though <b>Europe</b> is predominantly Christian c) Europe is a complex and mostly urban continent. d) Many European countries are investing in sustainable energy sources, such as solar energy, wind energy, tidal energy, and nuclear energy. e) Europe's most important forest industries are woodworking, paper products, and construction and furniture products.	
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