

Year 4: Geography Summer Term

The Mediterranean Biome

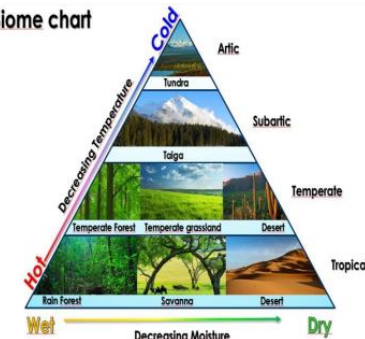
Key information: The Mediterranean Sea is the body of water that separates Europe, Africa and Asia. The Mediterranean Sea is connected to the Atlantic Ocean by a narrow passage called the Strait of Gibraltar. It is between the southern tip of Spain and northern Morocco. The countries surrounding the Mediterranean in clockwise order are Spain, France, Monaco, Italy, Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Albania, Greece, Turkey, Syria, Lebanon, Israel, Egypt, Libya, Tunisia, Algeria, and Morocco; Malta and Cyprus are island countries in the sea. The Mediterranean is in the continent of Europe. It is particularly popular as a holiday destination because of the mild climate and physical features (beaches, mountains and lakes). People visit the cities because of its human features (Leaning Tower of Pisa, Parthenon and La Sagrada Familia).

Key Vocabulary

Biome	
Mediterranean biome	
Greece	
Europe	
Hemisphere	
Population	
culture	
import	
export	



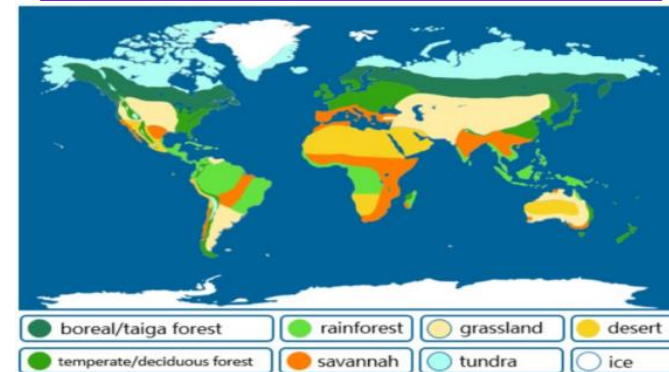
Biome chart



Country	Capital	Language
Italy	Rome	Italian
Spain	Madrid	Spanish
Portugal	Lisbon	Portuguese
Greece	Athens	Greek
Turkey	Ankara	Turkish
France (southern)	Paris	French
Malta	Valetta	Maltese

What are Biomes?

Biomes are areas of our planet with similar climates, landscapes, animals and plants.



Where in the world is Greece?

Greece is a country in the south-east of Europe. It has borders with 4 other countries: Macedonia, Bulgaria, Turkey and Albania. Greece has a very long coastline, with over 2,000 islands and rocky outcrops. The Aegean, Ionian and Mediterranean seas flow around the islands, the largest of which is Crete. Being beside the sea makes Greece a popular holiday destination.

Greece enjoys more than 250 days of sunshine a year! (The UK gets around half of that.)

Mount Olympus is the highest peak in Greece, measuring 9754 feet high.

In 2015, 26.5 million tourists visited Greece - that's more than the entire **population** of Greece!

Greek houses are often painted white to reflect the heat from the summer sun.

Around 40% of the entire **population** of Greece live in Athens - that's almost half of all the people in Greece to **inhabit** one city!



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Key Geographical Sources

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The Parthenon

