

Year 5 Summer 1 2022.
What if you lived in Mexico?

Week	NC objectives	Big question	REMEMBER (prior knowledge)	KNOW (new knowledge)
1	<p>Locate the world's countries, using maps to focus on Europe (including the location of Russia) and North and South America, concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries, and major cities.</p> <p>Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom and a region within North or South America.</p> <p>Human geography, including: types of settlement and land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural</p>	Where in the world is Mexico?	The 7 continents and 5 oceans of the world. Ring of Fire volcanic region.	Mexico is in North America. Bordering countries: USA, Guatemala, Belize. Surrounding seas: Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea and Pacific Ocean. Located in the Ring of Fire.
2		What is the weather and climate like in Mexico?	Difference between weather and climate.	The Tropic of Cancer divides the country into two: one part temperate and the other, tropical. Land to the north has cooler temperatures during the winter months while southerly regions see temperatures remain constant year-round. Two main seasons: rainy (May to October); dry (November to April). Mexico lies within the hurricane belt. Hurricane season: June to November.
3		What is it like in Mexico? (physical features)	Physical geographical features. Tropic of Cancer divides Mexico in two. Tectonic plates. Physical geographical features of the UK for comparison.	Major mountain system: Sierra Madre (made up of 3 mountain ranges). Highest mountain: Pico de Orizaba Longest river: Rio Grande (Rio Bravo). Deserts: Chihuahuan Desert, Sonoran Desert.

	resources including energy, food, minerals and water.			Two peninsulas: Baja and Yucatan. Central Mexican Plateau. Cooper Canyon. Sits over three tectonic plates.
4	Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied.	What is like in Mexico? (human features)	Human geographical features. Human geographical features of the UK for comparison.	Population: 126 million (2020) Capital city: Mexico City Other major cities: Tijuana, Ecatepec, Leon, Puebla, Guadalajara. Landmarks: Chichen Itza (and other landmarks in the Yucatan Peninsula), Cathedral de Metropolitana de la Asuncion, Templo Mayor, Sistema Ox Bel Ha. Language: Spanish. Main religion: Roman Catholic.
5		What is it like to live in Mexico?	Festivals and culture of the UK for comparison.	Festivals/Culture: Cinco de Mayo, Day of the Dead, Mexican Independence Day and the Cry of Dolores, mariachi music.
6			Daily life in the UK and India for comparison.	What a day in the life of a Mexican child is like. Quinceanera. Traditional Mexican foods.