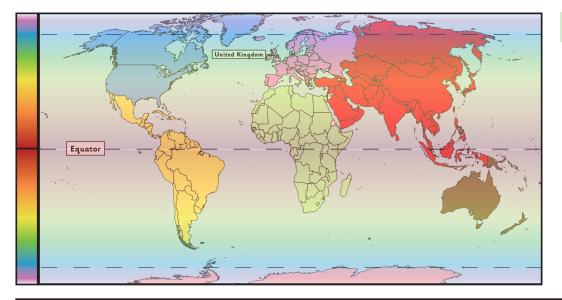






Key Facts



What is climate and how does it change?

Lots of places around the world have different climates. Climates can be hot or cold, wet or dry.

The climate changes depending on where a place is on Earth.

Countries along the equator have hotter climates. The further north or south you get from the equator, the colder the weather becomes.

The North and South Poles are the coldest places on Earth because they are furthest away from the equator. This means they get less sunlight than the places along the equator which makes them much cooler.

Vocabulary

Word	Explanation	Word	Explanation
Antarctica	an area in the South Pole covered by cold desert	hemisphere	the top or bottom half of the Earth divided by the equator
Arctic circle	an imaginary circle on the North Pole	northern	the top half of the Earth; north on a compass
climate	the type of weather in a particular area	population	the people who live in a place
continent	a large area of land	southern	the bottom half of the Earth; south on a compass
equator	an imaginary line drawn through the middle of the Earth	temperature	how hot or cold something is