

## **Useful Vocabulary**

| Continent            | A large landmass consisting of many          |
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|                      | countries                                    |
| Longitude            | A measurement used east to west,             |
|                      | measured in degrees                          |
| Latitudinal          | A measurement used north to south,           |
|                      | measured in degrees                          |
| Hemisphere           | The Earth divided into northern and          |
|                      | southern halves by the equator               |
| Biomes               | A community of plants and animals that       |
|                      | have common characteristics for the          |
|                      | environment the exist in                     |
| Climate              | The general weather conditions of a certain  |
|                      | region                                       |
| <b>Human Feature</b> | A feature built by mankind e.g. Golden       |
|                      | Gate Bridge                                  |
| Physical Feature     | A natural feature e.g. the Mississippi River |
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The USA is bordered by 5 bodies of water: Atlantic Ocean, Pacific Ocean, Arctic Ocean, Gulf of Mexico, Bering Sea

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What is so amazing about the USA?

## Comparisons between the USA and the UK

| Population: 327.2 million     | Population: 66.4 million      |
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| Largest City: New York (pop   | Largest City: London (pop 8.1 |
| 8.6 mill)                     | mill)                         |
| Longest River: Missouri River | Longest River: River Severn   |
| (3768km)                      | (354km)                       |
| Land Area: 9834 million km    | Land Area: 242, 495 km (sq)   |
| (sq)                          |                               |
| Highest Mountain: Denali      | Highest Mountain: Ben Nevis   |
| (6190.5m)                     | (1345m)                       |

The USA has 4 mountain ranges: Appalachian Mountains, Cascade Mountains, Rocky Mountains and Sierra Nevada

The USA has many deserts, including the Mojave, Sonoran and Chihuahuan

The Great Plains are a grassland region of the USA between the Rocky Mountains and the Mississippi River

The Great Lakes are a series of interconnected fresh water lakes which form part of the border between the USA and Canada