

Vocabulary

Architecture- the process of planning, designing and constructing buildings or structures

Biome- a large, distinctive complex of plant communities created and maintained by climate.

Climate- the weather conditions prevailing in an area in general or over a long period.

Equator- an imaginary line drawn on the earth equidistant from the North and South poles, dividing the earth into the southern and northern hemispheres.

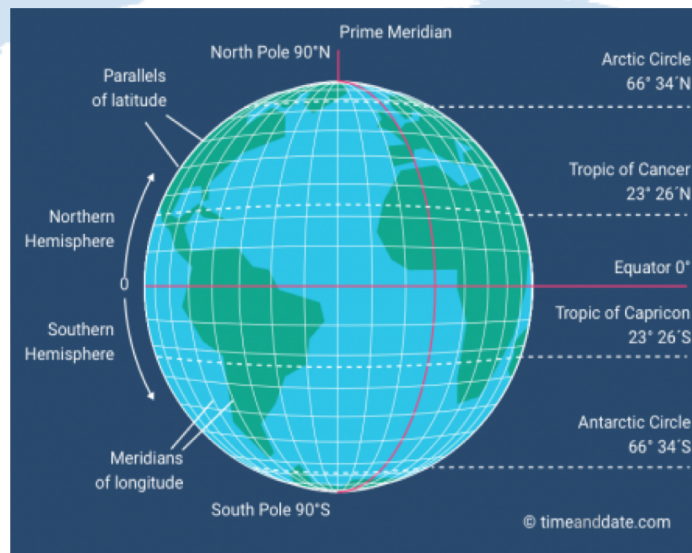
Hemisphere- a half of a sphere or the Earth, divided into Northern and Southern by the equator.

Latitude- imaginary lines which run horizontally West to East around the Earth

Longitude- imaginary lines which run vertically North to South.

Prime Meridian- An imaginary line which divides the Earth into the Western and eastern Hemisphere. It is also used as a basis for the world's time zones..

Seven Wonders of the World



Biomes

Deciduous- Found in Europe and Northern America: these trees lose their leaves every year and thrive in mild and wet conditions.

Desert- Area of land that receives no more than 25cm of precipitation a year.

Grassland- A large open area of country covered with grass, especially one used for grazing.

Rainforest- Warm and humid, with lots of rain approx. 200cm rain per year. Located close to the Equator.

Savannah- Rolling grassland with scattered bushes and trees. Two seasons- wet (summer) and dry (winter) season.

Taiga- Vegetation composed of cone bearing, needle or ever green trees found in areas that have long winters and moderate to high annual precipitation.

Tundra- The coldest biome situated in the North and South Poles.

The Seven Wonders of the World – Can you think of any local buildings or structures which we can use to create our own list? In 2007, the buildings and structures below were voted world wide to become the new set of seven wonders across the earth. Awe-inspiring architectural beauty ranging from Chichen Itza, Mexico built over 3000 years ago to Christ the Redeemer, Brazil built almost 90 years ago. Lets travel around the globe and find out more!

