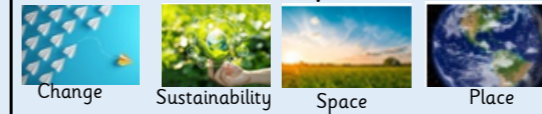




Unit:
Central America

Concept:



Subject:
Geography



Central America

Joining North America and South America is an area known as Central America. The climate here is tropical so expect hot weather and plenty of rain storms. The land is mountainous and many bizarre and beautiful creatures live in the rainforest.

A strange plant grows here with purple fruits which are transported all around the world—the cacao plant.

This was once the home to an ancient civilization known as the Mayans.

What?
Key Vocabulary

Spelling	Definition/Sentence
Central America	The area between North and South America. Is comprised of countries such as: Guatemala, Costa Rica, Honduras, Panama, Mexico.
Climate	The weather over a long period of time.
Tropical	A tropical climate is very hot and very wet.
Temperate	A temperate climate has warm summers and cool winters and has plenty of rainfall.
Deforestation	The cutting down of forests.
Fairtrade	Paying farmers a fair amount for their crops.
Physical features	Physical features of a country are the mountains, lakes, oceans, valleys.
Human features	Human features of a country are the roads, towns, cities and structures.
Tectonic plate	Tectonic plates make up the crust of the Earth. Along the edges of tectonic plates is where you are more likely to find volcanoes and mountains and have earthquakes.

Sequence of lessons

Lesson	Definition/Sentence
1	Where is Central America?
2	What are the physical features of Central America?
3	What are the human features of Central America?
4	Why is Central America ideal for growing the chocolate plant?
5	What is Fairtrade?
6	What is deforestation?