

North America - Location and Physical Features

Chapter 8: North America - Location and Physical Features · Topic 1

Key Concept

North America is bordered by the Arctic Ocean to the north, the Atlantic Ocean to the east, and the Pacific Ocean to the west.

The Rocky Mountains run along the western part of North America, stretching from Canada down through the United States.

The Great Plains are large, flat grasslands in the central part of the continent, important for agriculture.

The Great Lakes, located between the USA and Canada, are five large freshwater lakes, among the largest in the world.

Quick Revision Notes

- North America is in the Northern Hemisphere.
- It's bordered by the Arctic, Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.
- The Rocky Mountains run through the western part.
- They stretch from Canada to the USA.
- The Great Plains are flat central grasslands.
- The Great Plains support agriculture.
- The Great Lakes are five large freshwater lakes.
- They lie between the USA and Canada.

Practice Questions

- 1 Locate North America on a world map.
- 2 Name the oceans bordering North America.
- 3 Research the Rocky Mountains.
- 4 Discuss why the Great Plains are good for farming.
- 5 Name the five Great Lakes if you can.
- 6 Draw a simple map of North America's features.