

Year 4 Geography

A European Region

Spring 1

Studying Italy and the region of Tuscany



Prior Knowledge KS1: key physical features, including: beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, valley, vegetation, season and weather	Key Vocabulary: Italy		I need to know: • Where is Italy? • What are the important cities in Italy? • Are there any key rivers in Italy? • What kind of foods does Italy produce? • Where are the volcanoes in Italy? • What are the famous Italian landmarks? • Where in Italy is Tuscany? • What is Tuscany famous for? • How important are Florence and Pisa in Tuscany? • What is the climate and population in Italy?
	Climate	the weather conditions prevailing in an area in general or over a long period	
	Coastline	the land along a coast	
	Europe	One of the world's continents that includes The United Kingdom and Italy	
	Fertile	(of soil or land) producing or capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops	
	Food Exports	send foods to another country for sale	
Links to other topics: D&T - Food Geography - Compass Reading, Mapping, Physical & Human Geography, History – The Romans	Italy	A country in southern Europe	
	Landmark	an object or feature of a landscape or town that is easily seen and recognized from a distance, especially one that enables someone to establish their location.	
	Language	a system of communication used by a particular country or community	
	Population	all the inhabitants of a particular place	
	Rome	The capital city of Italy	
Guided Reading: Romulus and Remus Italy (Non fiction)	Soil types	Soil can be categorised into sand, clay, silt, peat, chalk and loam types of soil based on the dominating size of the particles within a soil	
	Tuscany	A region on the west coast of Italy	
	Volcanoes	a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapour, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust	
	Weather	the state of the atmosphere at a particular place and time as regards heat, cloudiness, dryness, sunshine, wind, rain	

Mapping Skills and Vocabulary: • Tropic of Cancer, • Tropic of Capricorn, • Equator, • Northern and Southern Hemisphere • Aerial view • Digital map and scales	At the end of the topic, I will know: • Where Italy is. • What the climate of Italy is and how this affect what grows in Italy. • The culture of Italians, the population of Italy and the physical features of Italy. • Where the region of Tuscany is and what its important cities and landmarks are. • The volcanoes of Italy and their impact. • The rivers of Italy and their importance • The surrounding countries of Italy and Italy's coastline
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