

## Knowledge Mat: Why do so many people choose to go to the South of France for their holiday?

WORD	DEFINITION
pro	The positives of something.
con	The negatives of something.
precipitation	Water particles that fall from a cloud as rain, hail, sleet or snow.
country	An area defined by its people, culture, language, geography, government and borders.
weather	The specific atmospheric conditions on a given day including temperature and rainfall.
continent	A large area of land divided into countries.
climate	The usual or average weather conditions over a long period of time.
population	How many people live in one particular place. This could be the population of a city, a town, a country or the whole world.



### Europe

- There are 51 countries in Europe and 742 million people living there which is 10% of the world's population.
- The continent is in the northern hemisphere with the Arctic Ocean to the north, the Atlantic Ocean to the west and the Mediterranean Sea to the south.
- There are many different landscapes, climates, physical and human characteristics all within this area.



### Comparison between Nice in the South of France and Manchester

	UK	France
Capital City	London	Paris
City Studying	Manchester	Nice
Population	553,230	342,522
Area	115.6 km <sup>2</sup>	71.92 km <sup>2</sup>
Language	English	French
Average Warmest Month	July 16.6°C	August 23.5°C
Average Coldest Month	January 4.5°C	January 9°C
Average Annual Precipitation	800mm	700mm
Days of Precipitation	143	61

There are 7 continents in the world: North America, South America, Africa, Europe, Asia, Australasia and Antarctica.

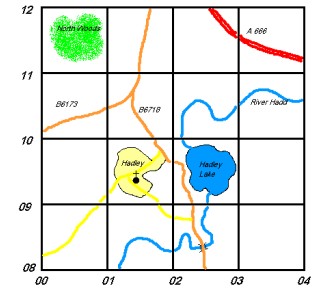
There are 5 Oceans in the world, the Pacific Ocean, The Southern Ocean, the Atlantic, the Arctic and the Indian Ocean.

7 continents map with 5 oceans

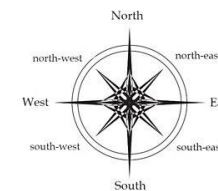


### Map Reading and Grid References

A grid reference allows someone to mark a place on a map by referring to vertical and horizontal lines called 'eastings' and 'northings'. By using a four-figure reference point, it is possible to pinpoint a certain area of interest on the map to a varying degree of accuracy.



### Using a Compass



The main 4 points of a compass are: north, south, east and west and I can describe the location of somewhere using this vocabulary. Wales is West of England, Scotland is North of England.