

Travel Terms

Continent: a large body of land on earth

Title: the name or kind of map

Map legend: a list of shapes and symbols used on a map and an explanation of what each stands for

Compass rose: a symbol that shows direction (north, east, south and west) on a map

Hemisphere: half of a sphere (globe) created by the prime meridian or the equator

Equator: an imaginary line around the middle of the earth that divides the globe into northern and southern hemispheres

Prime meridian: an imaginary line that divides the globe into eastern and western hemispheres

Regions: places that have common characteristics

Symbol: a picture or thing that stands for something else

Cardinal directions: the directions of north, south, east and west

Climate: the kind of weather an area has over a long period of time

Physical surroundings: land and bodies of water

Map: a drawing that shows what a place looks like from above

Susan B. Anthony-led struggle to give women equal rights including the right to vote

Martin Luther King Jr. –African American Minister, worked so that all people would be treated fairly, led peace marches and gave speeches

Rosa Parks-African American woman who refused to give up her seat on the public bus as was required by law in the past. Helped bring about changes in laws and worked in equal rights

South America

- mostly in southern hemisphere
- equator runs through Ecuador, Columbia and Brazil
- Pacific Ocean on the west, Atlantic Ocean on the east, Caribbean Sea to the north
- mountains: Andes along western coast
- 12 countries
- southern tip only 600 miles from Antarctica

Amazon Rain Forest

- layers: forest floor, understory, canopy and emergent
- animals: toucan, macaw, jaguar, monkeys, leaf eating ants, three toed sloth that adapt to live there
- half of world's plant and animal species found in rainforest
- migration: Monarch butterflies and hummingbirds travel from North America to South America
- worldwide conservation groups work to save the valuable resources of the rain forest

Asia

- mostly in northern hemisphere
- equator runs through Indonesia
- east of Pacific Ocean, north of Indian Ocean
- 46 countries including China

Ancient China

- ruled by emperors, laws handed down by wise men
- inventions: calendar based on the moon's phases, kites, silk cloth, compass, bronze, fireworks
- Great Wall of China-4000 miles long
- rivers: Yangtze and Yellow
- farmers used irrigation and bartering
- written language: characters and symbol writing
- celebrated Chinese New Year: begins on the first day of the second moon phase after the winter solstice