



<b>Key vocabulary</b>	
<b>Human geography</b>	focuses on where people live, what they do, and how they use the land
<b>Physical geography</b>	the study of the Earth's surface, such as the continents and oceans.
<b>culture</b>	the ideas, customs, and social behaviour of a particular people or society.
<b>cuisine</b>	a style or method of cooking, especially as characteristic of a particular country
<b>mountain</b>	a large natural elevation of the earth's surface rising abruptly from the surrounding level; a large steep hill.
<b>glacier</b>	a slowly moving mass or river of ice formed by the accumulation and compaction of snow on mountains or near the poles.
<b>climate</b>	the weather conditions prevailing in an area in general or over a long period.

### Physical & Human Geography of France

- It consists of a terrain that is mostly flat land with mountains in the south (including the Massif Central and the Pyrenees) and the east (the highest points being in the Alps).
- France has generally warm summer and cool winters. The temperature is warmer in the south, with hot summers along the Mediterranean.
- France has a long and rich history, and a culture which has developed over hundreds of years. It is a tourism hotspot – millions visit Paris and other areas of France every year.



The Eiffel Tower

### France

- France is a country in Western Europe and its capital is called Paris.
- About 67 million people live in France.
- It is the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest European country. It is bordered by Italy, Germany, Belgium, Spain, Monaco, Andorra, Luxembourg and Switzerland.



### Comparison to the United Kingdom

- Both countries are in Europe and their capital cities (London and Paris) are similar in size.
- Due to its slightly more southerly position (closer to the Equator) France is generally a little warmer than the UK.
- -France is larger than the UK (551,695 sq. km compared to 243,610sq km.) meaning slightly more people live in France than the UK – 67 million people compared to 66 million people.



The France flag

The French Alps

