

Grade 3 Geography Assessment: Mapping Our World

Learning objective: To identify, name, and describe the seven continents and five oceans, and understand their global locations.

Read each question carefully. Use your knowledge of global geography to provide accurate answers. Ensure your spelling is precise when naming geographical features.

Finn the dolphin has been busy mapping the Earth's surface. He has travelled across vast blue oceans and along the coastlines of all seven continents. Finn knows that the Earth is a complex puzzle of land and water, divided into different zones by invisible lines like the Equator.

Word bank: Africa · Antarctica · Asia · Australasia · Europe · North America · South America · Arctic Ocean · Atlantic Ocean · Indian Ocean · Pacific Ocean · Southern Ocean · Equator · Hemisphere

1. List the seven continents of the world. (2 marks)

2. Identify the two oceans that border the continent of Africa. (2 marks)

3. Explain why the Southern Ocean is unique compared to the other four oceans. Consider its location on the globe. (3 marks)

4. Compare and contrast the sizes of Asia and Australasia. Why might a map projection sometimes make one look different in size than it is in reality? (4 marks)

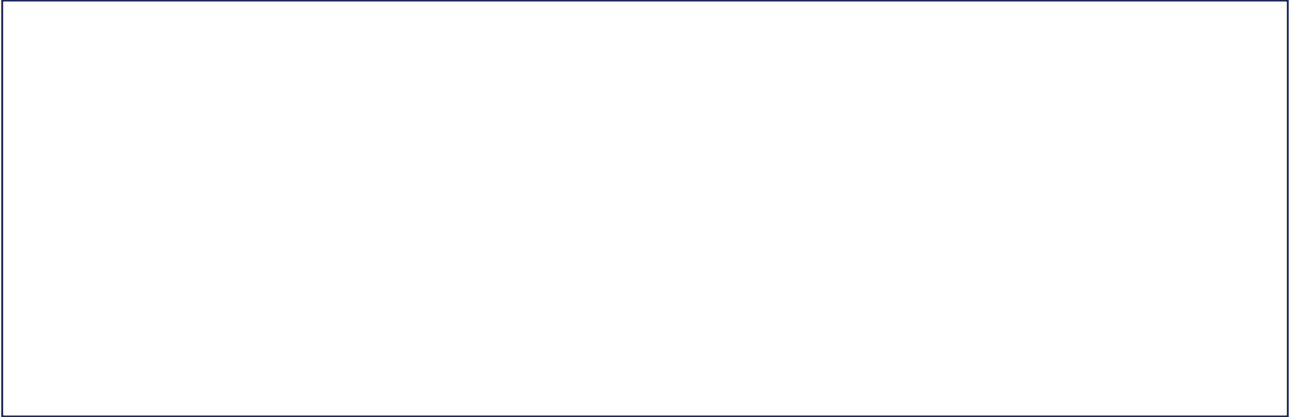
5. If you were to travel from the United Kingdom to South America, which major ocean would you have to cross? (2 marks)

6. Justify why the Equator is an important geographical marker for scientists like Nova the owl when studying climate across different continents. (3 marks)

7. Imagine you are Finn the dolphin. Describe an underwater journey from the Indian Ocean to the Pacific Ocean. Include references to the continents you might pass along the way. (5 marks)

8. What might happen to global travel and trade if the Atlantic Ocean suddenly disappeared? Explain your reasoning. (4 marks)

Draw: Draw a simple map of the world. Clearly label the Equator, the Pacific Ocean, and the continent of Antarctica.



Extension challenge: Total: /25