Finn’s North American Expedition

Learning objective: To identify key geographical features, countries, and climates of North America.

Join Finn the dolphin on his map-reading adventure! Read the questions carefully and circle or write your answers to show what you know about the continent of North America.

Answer Key: 1. A (Canada), 2. False, 3. Rocky Mountains, 4. B (Pacific), 5. True, 6. Mexico, 7. True, 8. C (Great Lakes), 9. Arctic, 10. True.

Word bank: Canada · Mexico · Rocky Mountains · Atlantic · Pacific · Arctic · USA · Great Lakes

1. 1. Which country is the largest by land area in North America? A) Canada*, B) Mexico, C) USA, D) Panama (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: North America is the smallest continent in the world. (1 mark)

3. 3. Name the famous mountain range that stretches through western North America. (1 mark)

4. 4. Which ocean lies to the west of North America? A) Indian, B) Pacific*, C) Southern, D) Antarctic (1 mark)

5. 5. True or False: The climate in northern Canada is generally much colder than in southern Mexico. (1 mark)

6. 6. Which country is located directly south of the United States? (1 mark)

7. 7. True or False: The Mississippi River is one of the longest river systems in North America. (1 mark)

8. 8. Which group of five massive freshwater lakes is found on the border of Canada and the USA? A) The Salt Lakes, B) The Crystal Lakes, C) The Great Lakes*, D) The Northern Lakes (1 mark)

9. 9. What is the name of the ocean located to the north of the continent? (1 mark)

10. 10. True or False: North America is home to many different biomes, including deserts, rainforests, and tundras. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a map of North America and label the three largest countries. Include a small drawing of Finn the dolphin swimming in the ocean nearby!

Extension challenge: Imagine you are planning a holiday across North America. If a flight from Toronto to Vancouver costs £350 and a train trip across the Rockies costs £225, how much would both journeys cost in total?