

# Beyond the Magic Kingdom: What is the Sunshine State really like?

Understand the physical and human features of the contrasting region of Florida in North America

## Previous Learning

·The seven continents and five oceans of the world. ·Natural hazards such as earthquakes and volcanoes and the changes to natural features of the landscape that they can cause. ·The climate is affected by how close a country is to the Equator. ·Climate graphs can be used to show the average rainfall and temperature for an area.

A map of North America



## Key Vocabulary

<b>endangered</b>	Any species of plant or animal likely to disappear for ever.
<b>Everglades</b>	A wet marshy National Park where alligators, turtles and snakes live.
<b>hurricane</b>	A type of storm or cyclone which forms over tropical seas and has violent circular winds, thunderstorms and a calm eye in the centre.
<b>National Park</b>	An area of countryside, or occasionally sea or fresh water, protected by the state for the enjoyment of the general public or the preservation of wildlife.
<b>peninsula</b>	A piece of land which is almost surrounded by water but is connected to a large mass of land on one side.
<b>state</b>	A large area of land with its own government within a country.
<b>tourist</b>	A person who is travelling or visiting a place for pleasure who comes from an overseas country.



Florida on a map of the United States of America

## Key Information

- Florida is located within North America.
- There are 50 states that make up the United States of America of which Florida is one.
- Florida is an example of a peninsula.
- Compared to the UK, Florida is very warm all year round and has much longer hours of sunshine per day.
- Florida has a long coastline made up of sandy beaches making it a popular tourist destination.
- Florida is prone to hurricanes due to being surrounded by warm water.

## Geographical Concepts

<b>climate</b>	The average weather conditions of a place over a long period of time.
<b>economic activity</b>	Making a product or providing something that others pay for.
<b>environment</b>	The particular physical and human characteristics which make a place distinctive.
<b>hazard</b>	Extreme physical or human events that can cause serious loss of life and destruction.
<b>location</b>	The position of something on Earth.
<b>processes</b>	The natural events and human actions that bring about change in an environment.
<b>region</b>	An area of land that has common features such as a particular climate or religion.



Sea turtles



Disney Magic Kingdom

Wonder

Enjoyment

Love of language

Belonging

Empathy

Courage

Kindness