

Unit Three

Europe

Vocabulary:

- country:** nation: the land of a person's birth, residence, or citizenship
- border:** line that separates one country from another, it can be natural (a river, a mountain range, a lake or sea or political (manmade))
- capital city:** city that is the official center of a government of a country

Map of the Spain:



Can you see the borders between Spain/Portugal and Spain/France?

In the north

Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Finland and Iceland make up an area called **Scandinavia**

Can you find the capital cities of these five countries in the map?

In the west

Paris, the capital of France, is the most visited city in the world because of its monuments and museums

Berlin is the capital city of Germany

Dublin is the capital city of Ireland. Most people speak English there, but Irish is also an official language



It is the second smallest continent in the world but made up of many different countries, separated by political and natural borders

In the east

There are many small, inland countries. The Czech Republic, Slovakia and Hungary are in the center of the continent

However, other countries, like Poland, Ukraine and Romania are some of the largest in Europe

In the south

Lisbon, the capital of Portugal, is located on the coast of the Atlantic Ocean

Madrid is the largest city and the capital of Spain

The Vatican City is the smallest country in the world. It is located in Rome, the capital city of Italy

Greece has thousands of islands of different sizes, but its capital city, Athens is on the mainland



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Physical Geography of Europe:



The North Sea

is part of the Atlantic Ocean and connects to the English Channel and the Baltic Sea

The English Channel

separates the UK from France and mainland Europe. It's about 33 km wide at its narrowest point

The Atlantic Ocean

separates Europe from America. It connects to most of the seas in Europe

The Mediterranean Sea

connects to the Atlantic Ocean at the Strait of Gibraltar. This sea is the natural border between Europe and Africa

The Black Sea

forms a natural border between Europe and Asia

The Caspian Sea

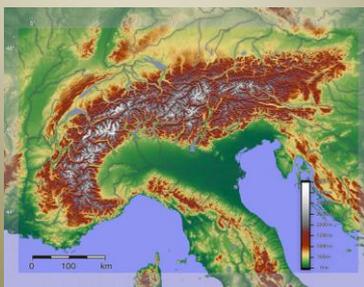
also forms a natural border between Europe and Asia. It is a lake, actually, but the largest one in the world!

Mountains and Rivers of Europe:

Many mountain ranges form natural borders between countries in Europe. The Pyrenees are the natural border between Spain and France.

The Alps

are the highest mountain range in Europe and Mont Blanc (4810 m) is its highest mountain



The Ural Mountains

are located in the east of Russia. They run from north to south and separate Europe from Asia



The Scandinavian Mountains

are the longest mountain range in Europe and form a natural border between Norway and Sweden

The Caucasus Mountains

Also form an eastern border between Europe and Asia. Mount Elbrus is located here and it is the



The Rhine



separates Switzerland from Germany and is part of the border between Germany and France. It travels 1232 km to its mouth in the North Sea



It is the second longest river in Europe. It runs through 10 countries and four capital cities: Vienna, Bratislava, Budapest and Belgrade. It is 2860 km long and flows into the Black Sea

The Danube



The Volga

is the longest river in Europe and the most important in Russia. It has over 200 tributaries and flows through 3530 km to its mouth in the Caspian Sea



Learn some of the most important countries in Europe, their capital cities, flags and some of the most spoken languages in our old continent.

 Albania	Tirane	 Ireland	Dublin
 Andorra	Andorra la Vella	 Italy	Rome
 Austria	Vienna	 Netherlands	Amsterdam
 Belarus	Minsk	 Norway	Oslo
 Belgium	Brussels	 Poland	Warsaw
 Bulgaria	Sofia	 Portugal	Lisbon
 Czech Republic	Prague	 Romania	Bucharest
 Denmark	Copenhagen	 Russia	Moscow
 Finland	Helsinki	 Slovakia	Bratislava
 France	Paris	 Spain	Madrid
 Germany	Berlin	 Sweden	Stockholm
 Greece	Athens	 Switzerland	Bern
 Hungary	Budapest	 Ukraine	Kiev
 Iceland	Reykjavik	 United Kingdom	London

