

## Geography: What is a megacity and why do so many people live in them?



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Key Vocabulary:	
megacity	Cities with a population greater than 10 million people.
city	A place that is larger than a town where many people live closely together.
continent	One of the seven large land masses on the Earth's surface, surrounded or mainly surrounded by sea.
trade	The activity of buying, selling or exchanging goods or services between people, firms or countries.
tourism	People travelling to and staying in places outside their usual environment for leisure, business or other purposes.
grid reference	A map reference indicating a location based on vertical and horizontal grid lines identified by numbers or letters.
Southern hemisphere	A location that is south of the equator.
employment	Being paid for work.
economy	The production, distribution and use of good and services.
migration	The movement of people from one area to another.
leisure	A pastime or enjoyable activity which you can do in your free time.
architecture	The art and technique of designing and building.
congestion	When something or somewhere is extremely crowded.
climate	The long-term pattern of weather in a particular area.
pollution	The introduction of harmful materials into the environment.
high-rise	A modern building which is very tall and have many levels or floors.
population	The number of people living in a particular area.

#### National Curriculum subject content:

##### Locational knowledge

- ✓ locate the world's countries, concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries, and major cities

##### Place knowledge

- ✓ understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom, a region in a European country, and a region within North or South America

##### Human and physical geography

describe and understand key aspects of:

- ✓ physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts, rivers,
- ✓ human geography, including: types of settlement and land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water

##### Geographical skills and fieldwork

- ✓ use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied

#### Sticky knowledge about megacities:

- There are 33 megacities in the world.
- The top 5 megacities in the world are located in Asia.
- China has five megacities which is more than any other country.
- Sao Paulo, which is the the largest city in Brazil, means Saint Paul in Portuguese.

#### Sequence of Learning:

##### Objectives (key knowledge):

Lesson 1 LO: to learn the location of the world's megacities.	Lesson 2 LO: to learn how to use grid references to locate the megacities within South America and to name them.	Lesson 3 LO: to learn the physical and human features of Sao Paulo.	Lesson 4 LO: to learn the purpose of megacities.	Lesson 5 LO: to learn why Sao Paulo is so attractive to tourists.	Lesson 6 LO: to answer the question - What is a megacity and why do so many people live in them?
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