

Italy Knowledge Organiser

What we will be learning:

- Location of Italy, its neighbouring countries and seas
- What the capital city is and where it is in Italy
- The names of other cities and their locations
- Names and locations of some physical features
- Names and locations of some human features
- How to make comparisons between UK and Italy using geographical vocabulary and star words

What I should already know:

- There are seven continents; we live in Europe.
- The names of some of the world's seas and oceans
- Compass directions (north, south, east and west)
- Where the Equator is and the North/South Poles
- Some places are hotter; some places are colder
- Physical features are made naturally, e.g. mountains
- Human features are made by people, e.g. roads

Key Knowledge:

- Italy is a peninsula - this means it is mostly surrounded by water
- Its main cities are: Milan, Pisa, Florence, Venice and its capital city is Rome
- Italy has two large mountain ranges – The Apennines and The Alps
- The longest river in Italy is the Po
- Italy is in the Mediterranean Sea
- The Vatican City is a country located within Rome; it is where the Pope lives
- The main language spoken in Italy is Italian
- There are three other seas surrounding it: the Tyrrhenian, Ionian and Adriatic



This is the flag of Italy.



Star Words

peninsula	Piece of land almost entirely surrounded by water apart from one side
region	An area or part of a country that is identified by its features
volcano	A landform (usually a mountain) where magma erupts through the planet's surface
climate	Description of the weather and temperature over a long period of time
mountain	Part of the land that rises above the rest of the land; can be of varying sizes
island	A body of land surrounded by water
physical features	Natural features of the earth's surface, e.g. seas, mountains, rivers
human features	Features that have been built by people, e.g. houses, buildings, roads
settlement	An area of land where people come together to live



Venice is built on more than 100 small islands.



The Colosseum, in Rome, is very famous.



Italy is very famous for its food.