

# European Countries *and* Capital Cities

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ESSENTIAL VOCABULARY	
<b>Europe</b>	One of the world's seven continents.
<b>country</b>	A nation with its own government and occupying a particular territory.
<b>city</b>	A large town which has a cathedral.
<b>capital city</b>	The location the functions as the seat of government for a country or region.
<b>landmark</b>	An object or feature of a landscape that is easily seen and recognised.
<b>mountain</b>	a large natural elevation of the earth's surface
<b>river</b>	large natural stream of water flowing in a channel to the sea, a lake, or another river.
<b>government</b>	The group of people who are responsible for a country
<b>population</b>	The inhabitants of a particular place.
<b>Euro</b>	The currency (money) that they use in Europe.
<b>human features</b>	Things made or built by humans.
<b>physical features</b>	Looking at patterns in the natural environment.
<b>The United Kingdom</b>	An island nation consisting of England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.
<b>Equator</b>	An imaginary line that runs through the middle of the Earth.
<b>Seaside</b>	A place by the sea, especially a beach or holiday resort.



Focus Capital Cities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• France - Paris</li> <li>• Spain – Madrid</li> <li>• Germany – Berlin</li> <li>• Greece – Athens</li> <li>• Italy – Rome</li> <li>• Russia – Moscow</li> <li>• Holland – Amsterdam</li> <li>• Norway – Oslo</li> <li>• Poland – Warsaw</li> <li>• Switzerland - Berne</li> </ul>



Famous landmarks in Europe
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Eiffel Tower – Paris</li> <li>• La Puerta de Alcalá – Madrid</li> <li>• The Brandenburg Gate – Berlin</li> <li>• Acropolis of Athens - Athens</li> <li>• The Colosseum – Rome</li> <li>• The Kremlin and Red Square – Moscow</li> <li>• The Van Gogh Museum – Amsterdam</li> <li>• Akershus Fortress – Oslo</li> <li>• Frederic Chopin Monument – Warsaw</li> <li>• City of Fountains - Berne</li> </ul>

**What is a Capital City?**

A capital city is a city that usually serves as the location of the government's central meeting place and offices. Many of the country's leaders work in the capital cities.



Mountains in Europe
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mount Elbrus – Russia</li> <li>• Mount Blanc – France</li> <li>• Monte Rosa – Switzerland</li> <li>• Monte Abantos – Spain</li> <li>• Mount Olympus - Greece</li> </ul>

Rivers in Europe
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Volga - Russia</li> <li>• Loire – France</li> <li>• Elbe – Germany</li> <li>• Rhone – Switzerland</li> <li>• Don River - Russia</li> </ul>

MAKING LINKS TO PREVIOUS LEARNING GOLDEN VOCABULARY	
<b>Our Country (Y1)</b>	We live in <b>The United Kingdom.</b>
<b>Hot Places (Y1)</b>	The <b>equator</b> divides the northern and southern hemispheres of the earth.
<b>Seaside (Y2)</b>	Families choose to holiday at the <b>seaside</b> due to it's closeness to beaches and the sea.

**What is a European country?**

A European country is a nation with its own government, occupying a particular territory within the European Continent.

