



KEY VOCABULARY

North America

A large continent where the countries of **Canada, the USA and Mexico** are located

United States of America

The name for the **country in North America that consists of fifty states and the District of Columbia**. It is bordered by Canada in the north and Mexico in the South

State

An area with a **government that can make decisions and pass laws for that area**. In the USA, the states are joined in political union

Mississippi River

One of **North America's major rivers**, a source of fresh water, transport and irrigation

Biome

**A community of plants and animals that have common characteristics** reflecting the environment in which they live

Urbanisation

The **increase in number of people living in cities**



CANADA



Capital: Ottawa

- Flag: maple leaf representing cultural heritage & natural resources of Canada
- Colour red represents hope & prosperity
- Colour white represents peace and neutrality.

MEXICO



Capital: Mexico City

- Flag shows national coat of arms, based on the Aztec symbol for Tenochtitlan (now Mexico City)
- Eagle sitting on a cactus eating a serpent
- Red, white & green- colours of the national Mexican army.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



Capital: Washington DC

- Flag shows fifty white stars representing the fifty states of America
- Thirteen alternating red and white stripes represent the thirteen British colonies that declared independence from Great Britain and became the first states