

Focus:

How can you compare mountain ranges?

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The Alpine Region

Covers a territory of approximately 190700km.

They are the youngest, highest and most densely populated (lots of people live there) mountain range. They were formed 44 million years ago.

It encompasses eight European countries: Austria, France, Germany, Italy, Liechtenstein, Monaco, Slovenia and Switzerland.

The highest peak is Mont Blanc located in the Western Alps.

Key Vocabulary

human features

Features of the landscape that have been made by people (roads, schools etc).

physical features

Features of the landscape that are natural (rivers, seas etc).

mountain range

A number of mountains that are connected together generally to form a long line.

region

An area, especially part of a country, having certain characteristics (but not always fixed boundaries).

peak

The highest point of a hill or mountain.

plateau

A flat-topped landform that rises sharply above surrounding areas at least on one side.

The Alpine Region



Famous Mountainous Regions

Himalayas – stretching 1491 miles through much of Asia.

Andes – stretching 4300 miles long, it is the world's longest mountain range.

Alps – major range across central Europe.

Rockies – ranging from North to South in Western America.

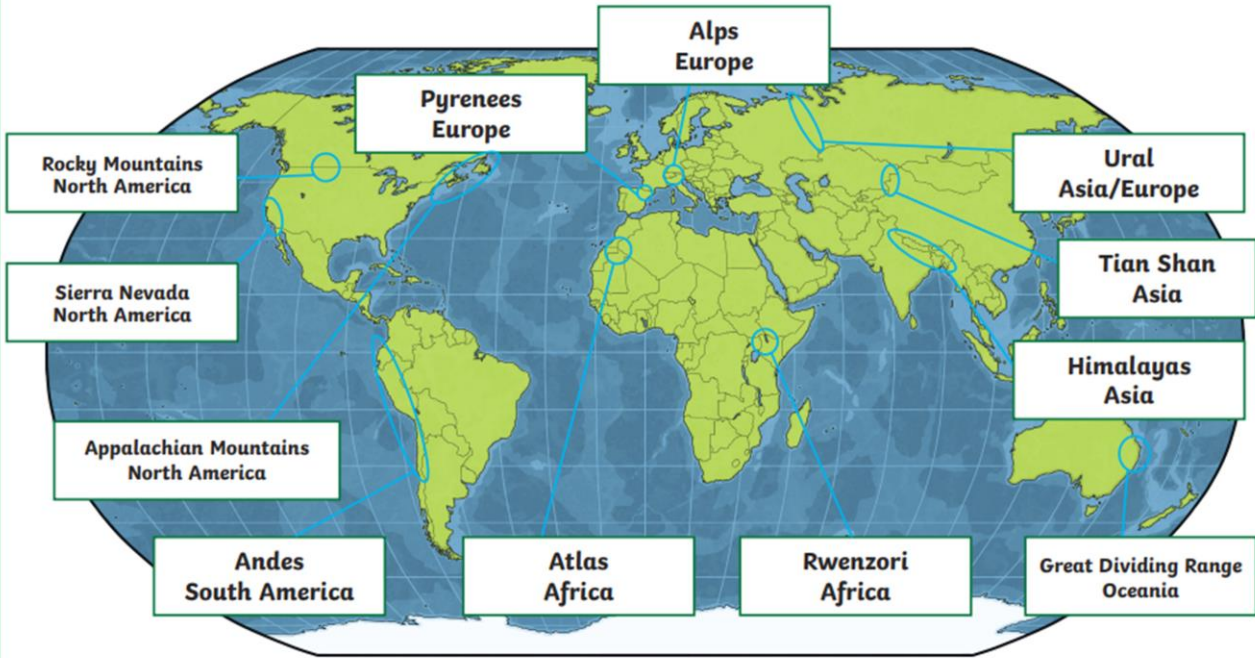
Sierra Nevada – runs parallel to the Rockies, but further West.

Did you now?

The ancient Romans built roads through the Alps to promote trade and to link different parts of their empire.

World map locating mountainous regions

Mountain Ranges of the World



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European map

