Geography – North America – Year 5 - Spring 2

Vocabulary Top Ten:

agriculture	growing crops on a large scale and rearing live stock
equator	an imaginary line around the earth at an equal distance between the north and south poles
gross domestic product	total value of goods produced and services provided in a country during one year
industries	making or producing goods
latitude	the distance of a place from the equator, measured in degrees
longitude	the distance east or west from the Greenwich meridian, measured in degrees
meridian	a line on a map or globe from the north pole to the south pole
multicultural society	a group made up of people from many different races, religions and cultures
states	an organised community under one government
tourism	the industry of providing services for people on holiday

Famous civil rights locations



Rosa Parks and The Montgomery Bus Boycott, Montgomery, Alabama



Martin Luther King Jr. on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial delivering his famous "I Have a Dream" speech, Washington DC.

Map of the USA states



Key Facts:

USA is the 4th largest country in the world by land area and 3rd by population. USA is broken down into 50 states. It has a diverse country with a multicultural society.

<u>American Civil Rights</u>

American Civil war (1861–1865)

During this time there were Free States (one in which slavery was prohibited) and Slave States (the practice of slavery was legal).

New York State

<u>Physical</u>

- New York State is 47,214 sq. miles.
- The River Hudson flows through New York State.
- There are several lakes in New York State.

<u>Human</u>

- Major cities: New York City, Buffalo, Rochester, Yonkers and Albany.
- Key industries: Agriculture (apples, grapes, wine, milk, and cheese) finance, communications, clothing and apparel, fashion, computers, electronics and tourism.
- Gross Domestic Product (GDP) was $1,205,930 million (2012).
- The headquarters of the UN is in New York City.

Alabama State

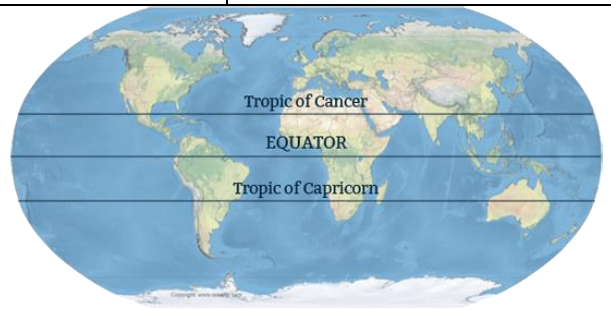
<u>Physical</u>

- Alabama is 50,744 sq. miles.
- There are several lakes and rivers located in Alabama.

<u>Human</u>

- Major cities: Birmingham, Montgomery, Huntsville and Tuscaloosa.
- Key industries: Agriculture (poultry, peanuts, cotton, grains, soybeans, peaches), iron and steel production, paper, lumber, coal mining and automobile manufacture.
- Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is $183,547 million (2012)

Tropics



Hemispheres

