



Year 6 Knowledge Organiser Seven Wonders of the World

Prime Meridian

Time Zones

- The Prime Meridian (PM) line divides the earth into the eastern and western hemisphere.
- It passes though the Royal Observatory in Greenwich, England.
- All time zones start here Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).
- There are 24 different time zones one for each hour in the day.
- From GMT to the east = +1 hour for every time zone.
- From GMT to the west = -1 hour for every time zone.
- The International Date Line is on the opposite side of the world from the PM.
 When it is noon at the Prime Meridian, it is midnight along the International
 Date Line. This is where midnight occurs first across the globe.

Key Vocabulary: hemisphere, Greenwich Mean Time, Prime Meridian, globe, Tropic of Cancer, Tropic of Capricorn, Equator, compass, grid reference, map scales, human features, physical features, sketch map, continents, oceans.

 Q1. Why is the world split
 Q2. What do the different

lines on the

globe signify?

into different

time zones?

Tropic of Cancer Equator Tropic of Capricom

The Tropics

- The Tropic of Cancer (northern tropic) and the Tropic of Capricorn (southern tropic) mark the most northerly and southerly positions that the sun can be overhead.
- Between the tropics the weather is hot all year round.
- Rainfall can vary here. In some places, there is very little rain, some areas have a rainy season and some places have lots of rain all year round.

