



**What should I already know?**

- The main religion in China is Buddhism.
- Symbols and lucky colours and numbers are important to Chinese people.
- Chinese new year is an important celebration
- China is a country within the continent of Asia.
- The difference between a country and a continent.

**Human geography**

**Capital city:** Beijing  
**Largest city:** Shanghai  
**Population:** 1.3 billion people – the largest in the world

**Population density** = the amount of people living in an area

- China is densely populated on its east coast where a lot of cities are.
- China is sparsely populated in the west, particularly around the Tibetan Plateau

**China is a NEE (newly emerging economy)**

- This means it has some rich places and people and some poorer places and people.
- Urban China is richer
- Rural China is poorer
- Jobs in China range from farmers who grow food for themselves in the countryside, to factory workers, to bankers in the cities.

**Physical geography**

**Yangtze River**

- Longest river in China (3<sup>rd</sup> longest in the world)
- Stretches for 6,300km from the Himalayas in West China to Shanghai on the east coast
- Flows into East China Sea
- Famous for 3 Gorges Dam

**Tibetan Plateau**

- An elevated area of land in Central and East Asia
- Located in between the Himalaya Mountains and the Taklimakan Desert
- Known as the 'roof of the world'
- Near the tallest mountain in the world, Mount Everest

**Gobi Desert**

- Covers northern China and southern Mongolia.
- It is the fifth largest desert in the world.
- A cold desert where temperatures range between 25°C in summer and -30°C in winter.

**Location**

- Northern Hemisphere
- East Asia
- Nearby countries: Russia, Vietnam, India, Nepal, North and South Korea
- Nearby seas: East China Sea and South China Sea

**Vocabulary**

Buddhism	Religion in China
Economy	An <b>economy</b> is a system of making and trading things of value
Manufacturing	Production of goods
Population	Amount of people who live somewhere
Population density	Amount of people living in an area
Hemisphere	Any circle drawn around the Earth divides it into two equal halves called <i>hemispheres</i> .
Rural	Countryside
Urban	Towns and cities
Beijing	Capital city of China
Shanghai	Largest City
The great wall of China	The Great Wall of China is a series of fortifications built across Chinese borders
Culture	The ideas, customs, and social behaviour of a particular people or society.

**Diagrams**

