

Beyond the Magic Kingdom, what is the Sunshine State really like?

Key vocabulary	
Sunshine State	Florida, United States of America (USA).
Magic Kingdom	Theme park at the Walt Disney resort in Florida, USA.
Theme park	An entertainment park with rides and games.
Tourist	A person travelling or visiting a place.
Continent	A very large area of land that consists of many countries. Europe is a continent.
Constituent states of the USA	A political area, there are 50 that combine to make the USA.
Peninsula	A piece of land almost surrounded by water but connected to a larger land mass on one side.
Space Centre	A site where space rockets launch.
Everglades	Tropical wetlands in southern Florida.
Climate	Weather that is typical of a place.
Human features	Features of land that have been impacted by human activity.
Physical features	Natural features of land.

Physical features of Florida	
	Florida Peninsula
	Everglades
	Coastline
	Florida Keys, National Park



Map of Florida



Florida is one of 50 states in the United States of America.

Florida has a population of 20.3 million people.

The capital city of Florida is Tallahassee but the largest city is Jacksonville.

The Magic Kingdom is the most popular theme park in the world with an average of 53,000 visitors a day.

Florida has a sub tropical climate with hot, humid summers and mild, wet winters.

The daytime temperature in Florida ranges from 21 degrees in January to 33 degrees in August.

The subtropical climate means that hurricanes can occur in Florida. Winds over 119km per hour register as a hurricane.

Two thirds of Florida is on a peninsula between the Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic Ocean.

Enquiry Questions	
Why is the Magic Kingdom the most popular theme park in the world?	
Where is the Magic Kingdom?	
Why do tourists come to the Magic Kingdom from some countries and not others?	
Why is the state of Florida a peninsula?	
Why is the Kennedy Space Centre in Florida?	
How and why is the climate of the sunshine state different from where I live?	

Human features of Florida	
	The Magic Kingdom
	Kennedy Space Centre
	Skyscrapers in cities