

Primary Social Studies

and Tourism Education for The Bahamas

4 The Bahamas, our country

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Distance/length	Weight/volume	Temperature
1 millimetre (mm) : 0.039 inches	1 gram (g) : 0.0351 ounces (oz)	0°F : 32°C
1 centimetre (cm) : 0.39 inches	1 kilogramme (kg) : 2.2 pounds (lb)	
1 metre (m) : 3.3 feet	1 tonne (t) : 2,200 pounds (lb)	
1 kilometre (km) : 1,090 yards	1 litre (l) : 1.76 pints	
1 square kilometre (km ²) : 0.3860 square miles		



Finding Out About Our Country



Where Is The Bahamas?



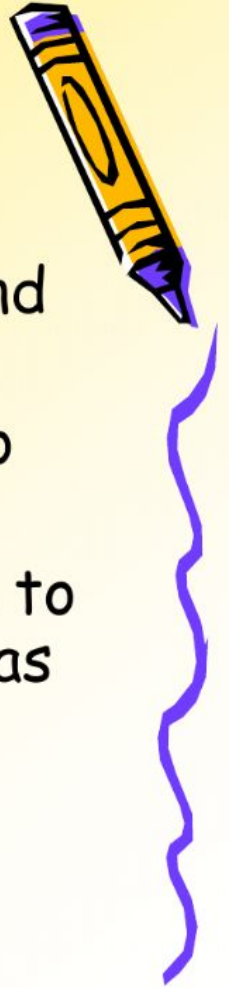
Objectives

- By the end of this lesson you will be able to:
- Label and identify islands of The Bahamas is
- Recall that The Bahamas is located in the western hemisphere
- Restate the purpose of the equator
- Names the seven continents



Objectives

- Differentiate between an island and a country.
- List names of islands that are also countries
- The lines of longitude and latitude to locate the positions of The Bahamas on a map.



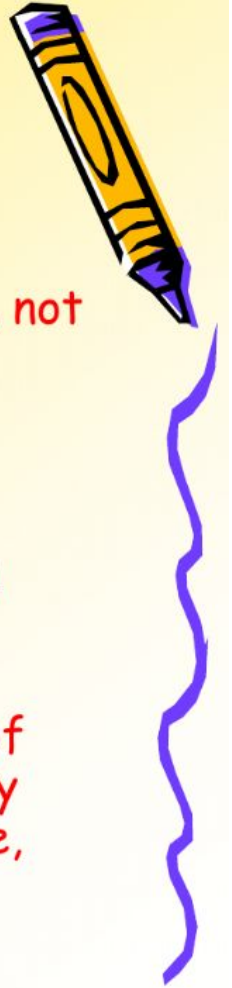
Vocabulary

- **Spherical:** **round:** shaped like a **sphere**;
an object similar in shape to a ball
- **Rotates:** **turn around axis:** to turn like a
wheel around an axis or a fixed point, or
make something turn around an axis or a
fixed point
e.g. *The Earth rotates around the axis
through its poles.*



Vocabulary

- **Imaginary:** **in mind:** existing only in the mind, not in reality
- **Hemisphere:** **half of Earth:** one half of the Earth, especially a half north or south of the equator or west or east of the prime meridian
- **Continent:** **land mass:** any of the seven large continuous land masses that constitute most of the dry land on the surface of the Earth. They are Africa, Antarctica, Asia, Australia, Europe, North America, and South America.



Vocabulary

- **Equator:** **imaginary circle around Earth:** the imaginary great circle around Earth that is the same distance from the North and South Poles and divides Earth into the northern and southern hemispheres
- **Boundaries:** **border:** the official line that divides one area of land from another



Vocabulary

- **Latitude:** **imaginary line around Earth:** an imaginary line joining points on Earth's surface that are all of equal distance north or south of the equator
- **Longitude:** **angular distance from prime meridian:** the angular distance east or west of the prime meridian that stretches from the North Pole to the South Pole and passes through Greenwich, England. Longitude is measured in degrees, minutes, and seconds.



Vocabulary

- **Parallel:** **line parallel to equator:** an imaginary line around the Earth that lies parallel to the equator and represents a specific degree of latitude from the equator
- **Degrees:** **unit of latitude or longitude:** a unit of latitude or longitude, equal to $\frac{1}{360}$ of a circle, used to locate and designate places on the Earth

