



HOME-SCHOOL INSPIRATION



If you can't go out, why not travel the world from home?

This week we travel to Jamaica.

Geography

Jamaica is a large mountainous island in the Caribbean. Over half a million Jamaicans live in Kingston, the capital, founded after an earthquake destroyed much of the original capital, Port Royal, which was a notorious home to pirates. Kingston is the largest English-speaking city in the Caribbean. The island's highest point is Blue Mountain Peak at 7,402 feet, which is also one of the highest mountains in the Caribbean. Click here to find out more



Bob Marley

Bob Marley was a famous Reggae singer, songwriter, and musician who first became famous in his band The Wailers, and later as a solo artist.

Click here to find out more:



Listen to one of his songs:



Usain Bolt

Usain St. Leo Bolt was born in 1986 and was a Jamaican runner and eight-time Olympic gold-medal winner. He is also known as "Lightning Bolt". Some people call him the fastest man in the world. Click here:

Watch a video about his life:



Jamaican Flag



The flag of Jamaica was adopted on Jamaican Independence Day, August 6th 1962, when Jamaica gained independence from the British 'Federation of the West Indies'. The design is a gold diagonal cross which splits the flag into four sections: the top and bottom sections are green representing vegetation, the right and left sections are black representing strength, and the gold represents the shining sun.

Find out how to draw the flag:

<https://youtu.be/Y7oGmhmZSP8>

Empire Windrush

Maya and Levi travel to the islands of Jamaica and Barbados to see where their grandparent grew up and why they decided to start new lives in the UK.



Patois

The official language of Jamaica is English. However, the language of everyday is Patois (Pat-wa). This musical dialect is a combination of English, Spanish, Portuguese, African phrases and a good dose of Jamaican slang. Listen to a story read in Jamaican Patois [here](#).

Anya Goes To Jamaica

Listen to a story about Jamaica here:



Make Jamaican Rock

Buns. Click picture for recipe



Find out more...

- Jamaica has more than 200 species of birds. Can you find out more about the plants and animals that live there?
- What is Jamaica's motto?
- Benjamin Zephaniah is a British poet whose work is influenced by the street culture of Jamaica: <https://youtu.be/yrLDEhqqbpo>

There are no limits to what you can discover!



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