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| **Where is Hong Kong?**  **Continent:** Asia  World Map: A clickable map of world countries :-)  Hong Kong is a ‘**special administrative region of China**’ which means that it is technically part of China.  Part of Hong Kong is physically joined to mainland China, and part of it is divided into 236 islands.  **England to Hong Kong Flight path:**    Hong Kong International Airport is built on reclaimed land from the sea, north of Lantau Island.  On a flight from the UK to Hong Kong, you would fly over: Poland, Germany, Ukraine, China  The journey from the UK to Hong Kong is approximately 10,000km. | **Regions**  Hong Kong is divided into regions:    - From Lantau Island to ‘Central’ on Hong King Island, you could take a bus, taxi or train.  - Central to Lamma Island - you would need to catch a ferry, taking you across the Lamma Channel (one of the busiest sea lanes in the world).  **The city**    The city has many sky scrapers and a busy harbour with many export and import cargo ships as well as ferries travelling between the islands. | **Accommodation**  In ‘Tai O’ (a traditional fishing village) the houses are built on stilts and are very small.    Many people choose to live in small apartment blocks with sea-views, such as places like Discovery Bay.    **What’s the weather like?**   * The climate is warm all year-round (= or >14 degrees C) * May to September sees the highest amount of precipitation. Rainfall exceeds 300mm every month, causing flash flooding. | **General Facts**  - Most of the population in Hong Kong are of Chinese ethnicity,  - People come to work in Hong Kong from all over the world. They may be entitled to permanent residency (‘expats’) after a number of years.  - Hong Kong is famous for filmmaking.  - Tourism is a key source of income for Hong-Kong and creates many jobs.  - Pollution and waste management cause problems. |