







# KS3 Knowledge Organisers



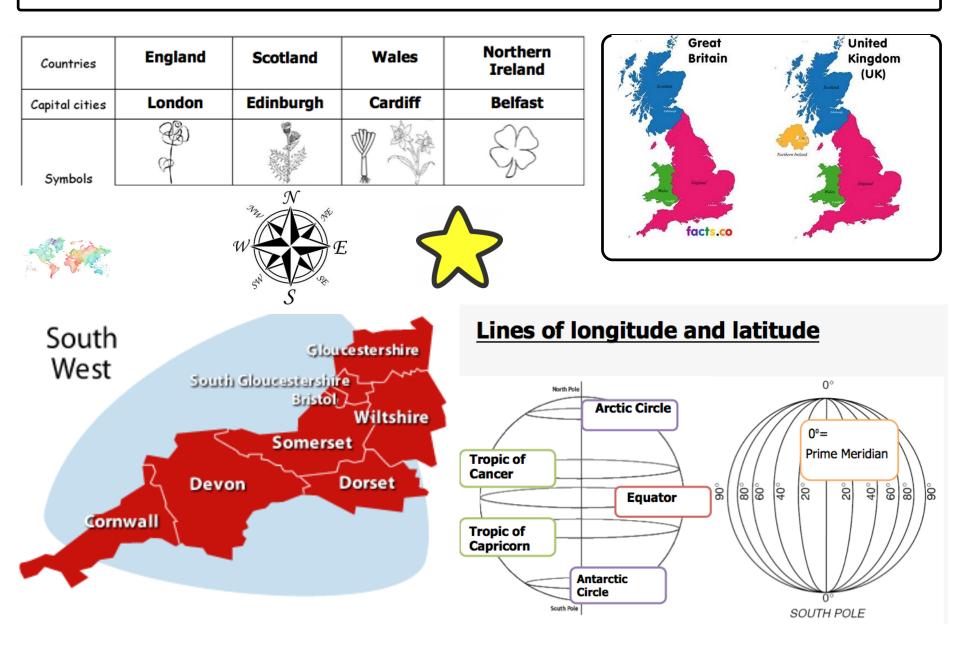
# Geography







# Year 7- Map Skills

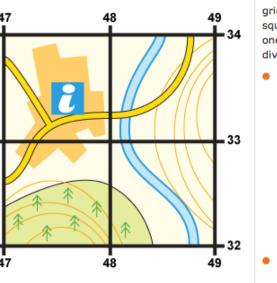


**Four-figure grid references** can be used to pinpoint a location to within a square measuring 1 sq km. To find the number of the square:

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- Start at the left-hand side of the map and go east until you get to the easting crossing through the bottom-left-hand corner of the square you want. Write this number down.
- Move north until you get to the northing crossing the bottom-left-hand corner of the square you want. Look at the number of this grid line and add it to the twodigit number you already have. This is your fourfigure grid reference.

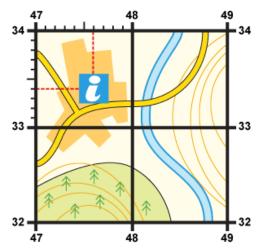
In this case, the tourist information office is in grid square 4733.



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Sometimes it is necessary to be even more accurate. In this case you can imagine that each grid is divided into 100 tiny squares. The distance between one grid line and the next is divided into tenths.

First, find the four-figure grid reference but leave a space after the first two digits. When you get to the easting at the left-hand side of the grid square you want, keep moving east and estimate or measure how many tenths across your symbol lies. Write this number after the first two digits.



Next, move north from the bottom-left-hand corner of your grid square and estimate how many tenths your symbol is from this point.Put them together to create a six figure grid reference.

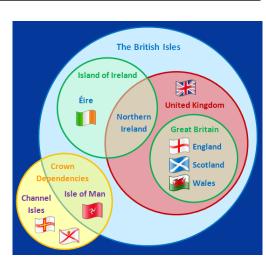
In this instance, the tourist information office is located at 476334.

# Remember: Along the corridor and up the stairs!

Year 7- Map Skills

# Year 7- Where we live





# Why do some people live in different areas?

Urban: Towns and cities

- Housing
- Jobs
- Services

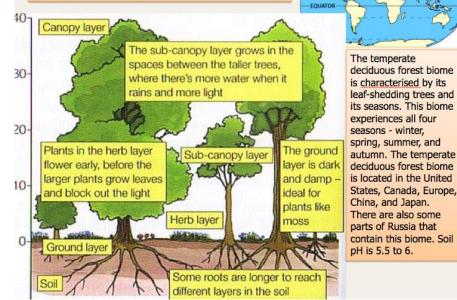
### Rural: Countryside

- Lifestyle
- Less crime
- Wellbeing





### Temperate Deciduous Forest



# Tropical Rainforest



The tropical rainforest biome is an ecosystem that covers about 7% of the Earth's surface. They are found all over the world but the majority of the tropical rainforest lies in South America in Brazil. The weather in the tropical rainforest is rainy yet warm all year round, day or night. Soil pH is 4.5 - 5.5.

### **Rainforest Structure**

**Emergents** - or forest giants, 50 metres or taller. These trees are usually supported by buttress roots.

Canopy - This is a dense layer forming almost complete cover. Trees 20 - 30 metres tall include many hardwoods such as mahogany. Under Canopy - This dark and humid area contains saplings between the trunks of larger

Shrub Layer - This contains small trees and shrubs especially near rivers. Forest Floor - This is covered with ferns and a deep litter of fallen leaves & branches.

# Year 7 -

# Biomes

# What fieldwork techniques did we use when we compared biomes?

- Secondary research
- PH readings
- Field Sketches

### What are the issues in our Tropical Rainforests?

Tropical rainforests are vital for the process of photosynthesis to produce oxygen and absorb carbon dioxide. They are also a vital habitat and are thought to be home to plants which may be medicinal.

However, tropical rainforests are being threatened by:

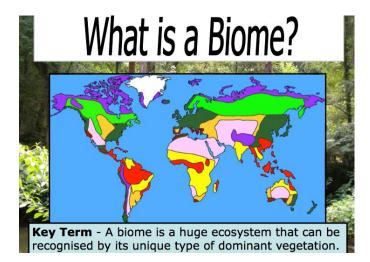
- Mineral extraction
- Deforestation
- Dams
- Population pressure
- Palm Oil

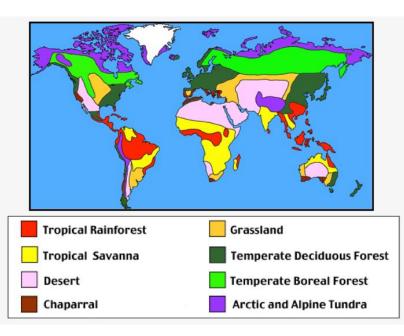






# Year 7 - Biomes



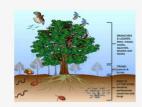


### Ecosystem

A complex system in an area with links between living things and their environment.

The living parts of the ecosystem are known as the biotic components e.g. vegetation and animal life.

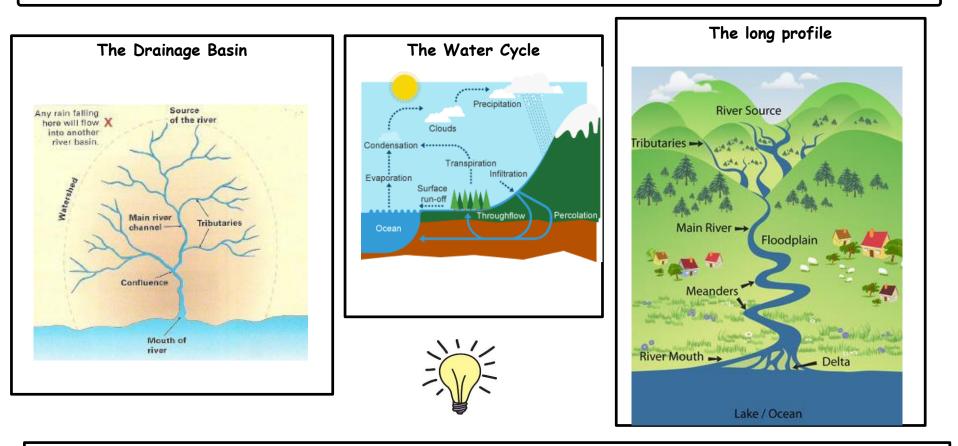
The non-living parts of the ecosystem are known as the abiotic components e.g. climate and soils.





Climate zone?	Description of the climate and of the resulting vegetation	
Savanna	A hot and dry grassland scattered with shrubs and isolated trees, which can be found between a tropical rainforest and desert biome	
Tropical rainforest	A very hot and wet biome located on or near the equator and with the greatest biodiversity (number of plants and animals) found anywhere on earth.	
Tundra	It is below freezing at night year round; This biome covers one-fifth of the land on earth – there is little precipitation, a short growing season; and poor nutrients. The word Tundra is comes from Lappish language (Lapland) which means "land with no trees".	
Desert	This area is very hot and also very, very dry. Because of this very little grows – only very hardy plants such as cactus which can survive drought.	
Taiga or Coniferous Forest	This biome is also called A taiga and is a northern coniferous (evergreen) forest. It is a cold woodland located north of temperate deciduous forests. It is the largest biome - covering about 50 million acres of land - about 17% of the Earth's land area and can be found in Canada, Europe, Asia, and the United States	
Deciduous Forests	can be found in the eastern half of North America, and the middle of Europe. There are many deciduous forests in Asia. There are no extremes of climate. The deciduous forest has four distinct seasons, spring, summer, autumn, and winter. In the autumn the leaves change color. During the winter months the trees lose their leaves.	
Chaparral	is found in a little bit of most of the continents - the west coast of the United States, the west coast of South America, the Cape Town area of South Africa, the western tip of Australia and the coastal areas of the Mediterranean. This biome has flat plains, rocky hills and mountain slopes. It is sometimes used in movies for the "Wild West". It is very hot and dry - the winter is very mild (usually about 10 °C), the summer is so hot and dry at 40 °C that fires and droughts are very common. Fortunately, the plants and animals are adapted to these conditions. Most of the plants have small, hard leaves which hold moisture. Some of these plants are poison oak, scrub oak, Yucca Wiple and other shrubs, trees and cacti.	
Grasslands	A large biome with rolling terrains of grasses, flowers and herbs. It is a region where the average annual precipitation is great enough to support grasses, and in some areas a few trees. The precipitation is so unpredictable that drought and fire prevent large forests from growing.	

# **Year 7 Rivers**



### Physical processes

**Erosion:** Breaking down of rocks by the action of rock particles being moved over the earth's surface by water, wind and ice

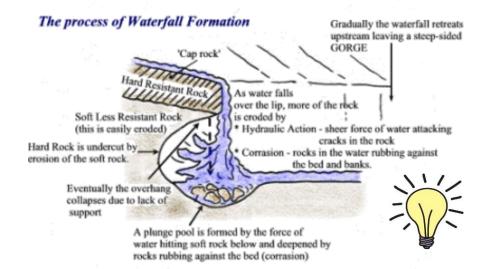
Transportation: Movement of materials from the eroded position to the place they are deposited

Deposition: The laying down of sediment on the bed of the river or sea floor

# Year 7 topic 4 - Raging Rivers

Processes of River Erosion

Name of process	Explanation of what happens	Diagram
Abrasion	The sheer force of the river's flow hits the river bed and banks. This weight of flowing water weakens the river bank and erodes it. This happens a lot on the outside of a meander bend (curves).	D)
Attrition	This is where pieces of rock or sediment (the load of the river) hit into each other. When they do they are weakened and bit fall off, reducing their size and making them rounder. This happens as they are being transported in the river.	
Solution	This is where pieces of rock or sediment (the load of the river) hit into the river bed and banks as they are being transported. They act like sand paper, causing bits of the bed and bank to be worn away. This happens a lot on the outside of a meander bend (curves).	
Hydraulic action	This is where certain rock types dissolve in the river water. It's also a transportation type. Dissolved rock can't be seen by the human eye but can be in a microscope.	



A river flood is when the volume of water increases and can no longer be contained in the river channel. This means that river bursts its banks and covers the floodplain and valley bottom. It can be caused by heavy rain, saturated soil, impermeable rock, urbanisation and deforestation. An example of flooding took place in Boscastle in 2004.





Boscastle Flood Hydrograph

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17



recession limb water is quickly removed because most of water is overland flow, not base flow or through low. River level decreases.

This shows the destruction from flooding. Houses and properties are damaged.



ground becomes saturated. Bankfull discharge starts to occur



At this time, it starts raining. Water starts to flow into the river at constant rate, river discharge starts increasing

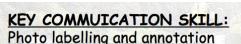


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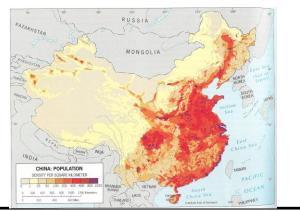
# Year 7 China



### Where do people live in China?

The 1.3 billion people in China make the choice of where they live based on push and pull factors such as:

- Cities near the coast
- Employment opportunities
- Relief of the land





### Is China diverse?

When considering diversity we need to consider lots of factors, here are a few examples:

- Climate
- Culture
- Language
- Employment



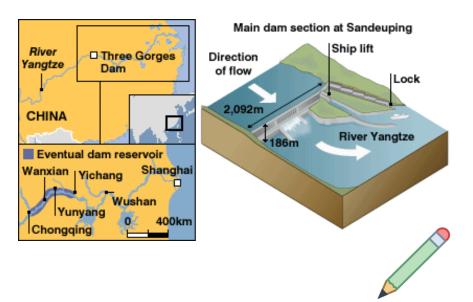
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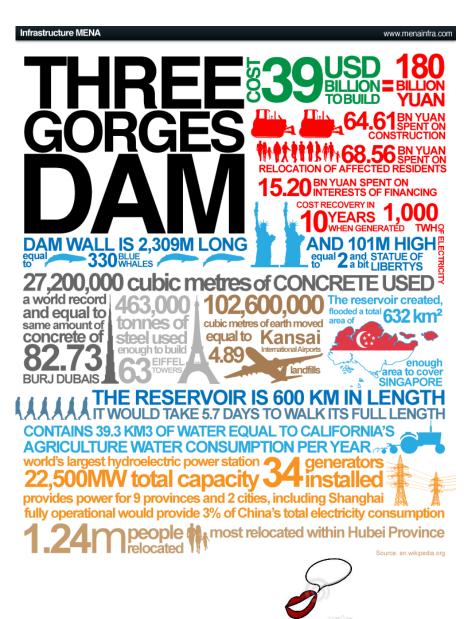
### What is a dam?

A dam is any barrier that holds back water; dams are primarily used to save, manage, and/or prevent the flow of excess water into specific regions. In addition, some dams are used to generate hydropower.

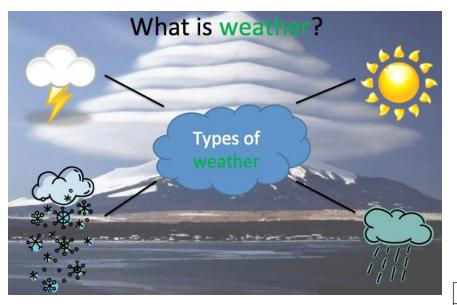
Another term often used when discussing dams is reservoir. A reservoir is a man-made lake that is primarily used for storing water.

An example is the Three Gorges Dam in China.



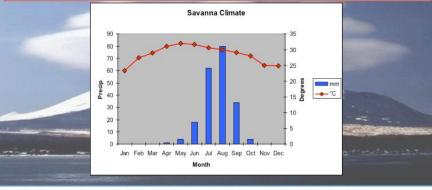


## Year 7 - Weather and Climate

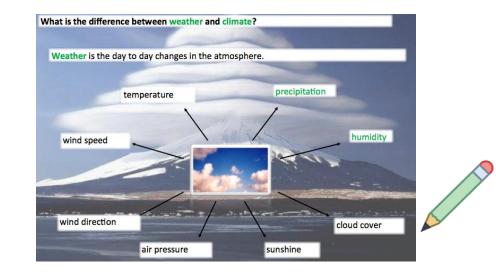


A climate graph tells us the average temperature and rainfall of a place for each month of the year. Here is an example from the Savannah in Africa;

The red line shows us the temperature in degrees Celsius , it uses the right hand axis

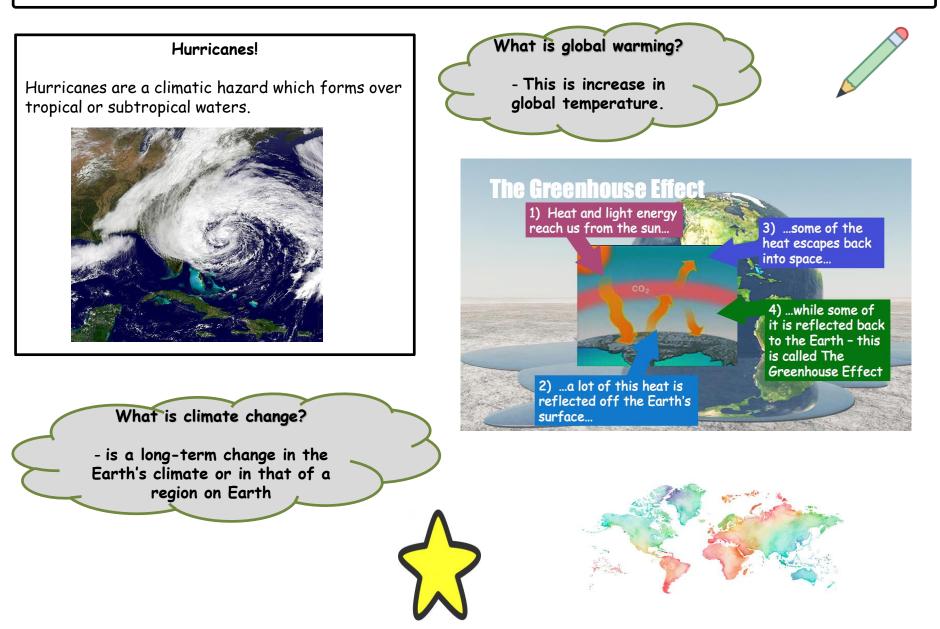


The blue bars show us the Precipitation (rain, snow etc) in mm, it uses the left hand axis



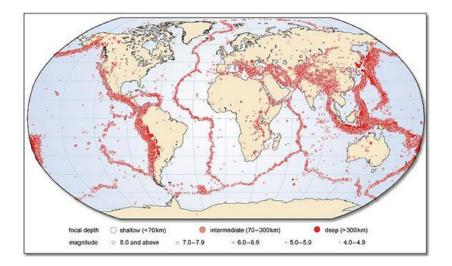
Weather term	Definition of the term	Instrument that measures this is	Units of measurement	Diagram of equipment
Precipitation	Water falling from the sky in any form	Rain Gauge	In millimetres	
Temperature	Exactly how hot or cold it is.	Thermometer	Degrees centigrade	
Wind direction	Where the wind is <u>blowing from</u> .	Weather Vane	As a compass point (e.g. N, S, W, E).	
Wind speed	How fast the wind is blowing.	Anemometer	Kilometres or miles per hour.	<b>F</b>
Cloud cover	How much of the sky is hidden by clouds.	Observations	Oktas	(In ektss)

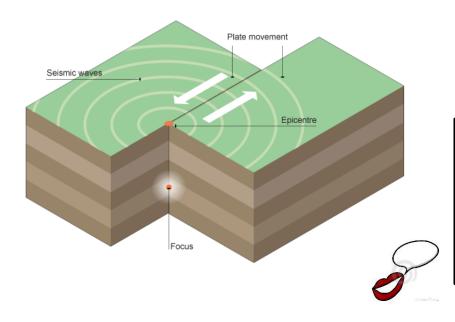
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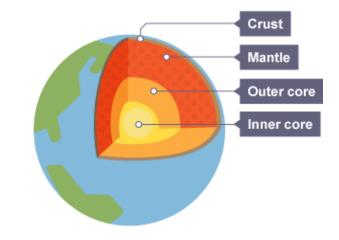






### Where do we find Earthquakes?

We most commonly find earthquakes at plate margins. The most common is a Conservative margin where the plates rub side by side.

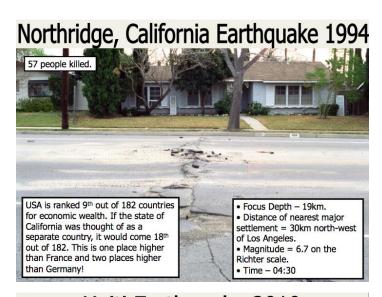


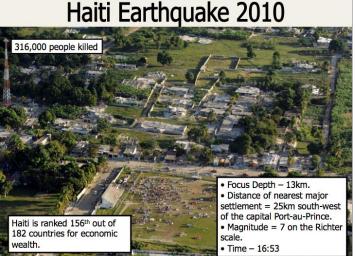
### The theory behind tectonic hazards

Alfred Wegener developed plate tectonic theory. Due to the structure of the earth and the convection currents in the mantle he believed the Earth's plates must be moving. He developed the idea of there once being a supercontinent 'Pangaea' with the evidence of fossils and the jigsaw fit!



### Comparing the effects of 2 Earthquakes:





Four hundred years ago, in the reign of James I of England, a disaster hit the south west of the country, as a huge <u>surge</u> of water came up the Bristol Channel - covering 200 square miles of land with water and killing 2,000 people.

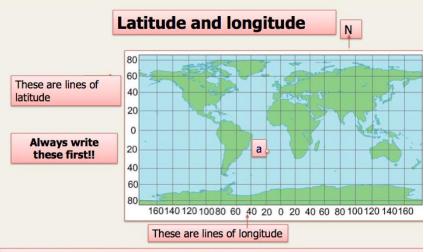




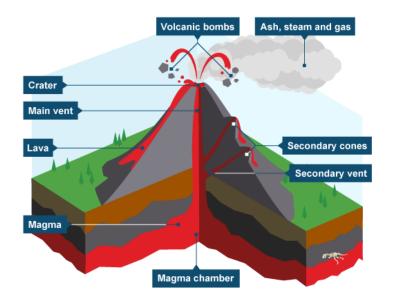
### What do scientists believe caused the Great Flood?

Scientists currently think that the evidence supporting the occurrence of a tsunami is very strong and that this represents the most likely explanation. However, they cannot rule out the possibility that it was a storm surge and that freak weather conditions were to blame.





The latitude of 'a' is 20°S... 'a' is 20° south of the Equator. The longitude of 'a' is 20°W... 'a' is 20° west of the Greenwich Meridian. Therefore we write the latitude and longitude of 'a' as **20°S 20°W.** 



# Indian Ocean Tsunami 26<sup>th</sup> December 2004

• The official magnitude of the earthquake that caused the tsunami was measured at 9.3 on the Richter scale. This is the second largest ever recorded.

- The earthquake caused the entire planet to vibrate as much as 1cm.
- The total death toll was nearly 230,000 across fourteen countries.
- India, Sri Lanka, Indonesia and Thailand were the hardest hit.
- A total of \$7 billion has been donated to the damaged regions from countries and organisations all over the world.

### Volcano types



There are three different types of volcano. Geographers call the categories **active**, **dormant** or **extinct**.

- An active volcano is liable to erupt at any time, e.g. Mt Etna.
- A dormant volcano has not erupted for years. Mt Pinatubo erupted in 1991 after 500 years of dormancy.



• An extinct volcano has not erupted for a very long time and is unlikely to erupt again, e.g. Edinburgh.

Categorizing volcanoes can be tough. Chaitén in Chile erupted in 2008 for the first time since 7400BC!







Japan Earthquake and Tsunami	Preparations		
2011	Earthquakes	Tsunamis	
Facts	Earthquake proof buildings	Smart phone and TV alerts to warn of the tsunami location	
Date: March 11, 2011		warn of the tsunarin location	
Time: 5:46 UTC; 2:46 PM Japanese local time; 4:46 AM Eastern time	Fire station doors automatically open to prevent	10m high sea wall to protect the coast	
Magnitude: 9.0	them getting stuck		
Location: 130 kilometers (81 miles) off the coast of the Oshika Peninsula of Tōhoku near Sendai • 373 kilometers (232 miles) from Tokyo	Bullet trains automatically stop to prevent derailment	Pacific tsunami warning system to detect earthquakes under the sea and tsunami	
Depth: 32 kilometers (19.9 miles)		waves	
Aftershocks: At least 517 (36 above magnitude 6)		waves	
Largest earthquake to hit Japan in recorded history	Nuclear Power Stations automatically shut down to	Sirens in coastal communities to warn people to get to high	
One of five largest in the world in recorded history	prevent disaster	ground	
	Annual earthquake drills to practice what to do in an emergency		

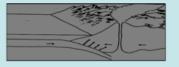




### Where do we find volcanoes?

Volcanoes are found at constructive and destructive plate margins (recap in diagrams below!) They can also be found where the crust is thinner - we call these hot spots and an example is Hawaii.

### **Destructive Plate margin**



Continental plate moves towards an oceanic plate Earthquakes and volcanoes can be found at this plate margin

**Collision Plate Margin** 



2 continental plates move towards each other Fold mountains can be found at this plate margin. Constructive Plate Margin

Plates move away from each other Volcanoes only can be found at this plate margin

Conservative Plate Margin

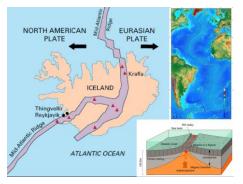


Plates move along side each other Earthquakes only can be found at this plate margin

### An example: Iceland

Iceland benefits massively from tectonic activity, particularly geothermal energy. It is also a risk people in Iceland have to live with, a recent example is Eyjafjallajokull (AYAfeeyapla-yurkul) Volcano which erupted 20<sup>th</sup> March - 27<sup>th</sup> October 2010.

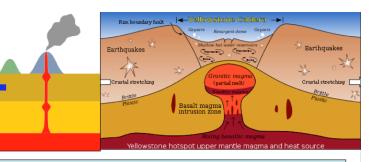




There has been past super eruptions at Yellowstone National Park. The park spans over three US states – Wyoming, Idaho and Montana. It is not just any volcano, it is something called a Caldera.

The last three super eruptions occurred 2.1 million, 1.3 million, and 640,000 years ago. Notice a pattern?



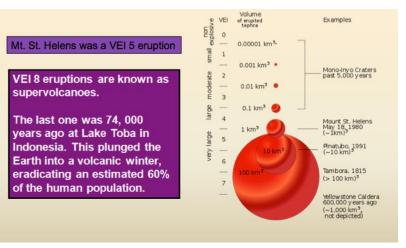


In geology, a hotspot is a portion of the Earth's surface that may be far from tectonic plate boundaries and that experiences volcanism due to a rising mantle plume. There are 40-50 hotspot volcanoes in world. Hotspots under oceanic crust tend to be more effusive but hotspots under continental crust tend to be very explosive!

### How would people survive a super eruption? Is it possible?

**FEMA** are the Federal Emergency Management Agency. They are responsible for planning how to reduce the impacts of natural hazards in the USA. We don't know if they have a real plan for a super eruption at Yellowstone - but if they don't, it might be time to start thinking about it!

Disaster management is an important job and something often left to Geographers with their expert knowledge of place and the interactions between physical processes and people. It is a very well paid job and likely to be very important in your future!





Hurricanes are one form of tropical storm. The name of a tropical storm depends on the region of the world they occur in as you can see on your map. Hurricanes occur in the Atlantic Ocean and the Eastern Pacific Ocean.



# Where do Hurricanes happen?



Describe the location of tropical storms across the world. Tropical storms occur between the Tropic of Cancer and Tropic of Capricorn.

They travel from the sea towards the land.

They are called Hurricanes in the Atlantic Ocean and East Pacific Ocean, Cyclones in

the Indian Ocean, Typhoons in the West Pacific Ocean and Willy-willies in Australia.

What does their location and time of occurrence suggest about how they form? They occur in the hottest part of the Oceans and at the hottest part of the year so are

related to sea temperatures. It seems as if they need a temperature of over 27°C.

This temperature is likely to evaporate some of the ocean so the hurricane may be linked

to rising water vapour.





**GDP per capita** - This is the value of all the goods and services produced in a country in one year per person.

Life Expectancy - The average number of years that a person is expected to live in a country.

**HDI** - A combination of GDP per capita, life expectancy, literacy (the percentage of adults that can read and write) and the average number of years of schooling. This is measured on a scale of 0 to 1. More than 0.8 = high, 0.6 to 0.8 = medium and less than 0.6 = low.

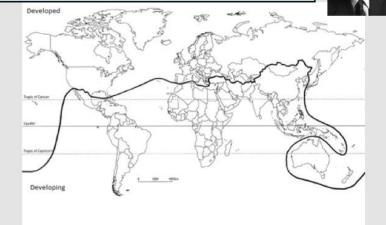
**Standard of living:** A level of material comfort as measured by the goods, services, and luxuries available to an individual, group, or nation.

**Quality of life:** The overall well-being of a person. This is their mental, physical and social health. Generally when people have all of these things, they are happier.



The Brandt Line

In 1980, a man called William Brandt produced a report of global attitudes towards poorer countries. In this report, he identified a pattern of rich countries and poor countries across the world. The division between the rich north and poor south became known as the Brandt line.



### United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

GDP per capita	\$35,082
Life Expectancy	80
Infant Mortality Rate (babies	
dying before the age of 1 per	4.8
1000 live births).	4.0
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Literacy Rate	99%
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GDP per capita	\$1,729
Life Expectancy	54
Infant Mortality Rate (babies	
dying before the age of 1 per 1000 live births).	64.4
Literacy Rate	73.6%

### How do the two Eastleighs compare?

Eastleigh in the UK and Eastleigh in Kenya have some similarities but are mostly different.

The photographs show that Eastleigh in the UK has proper concrete roads whereas Eastleigh in Kenya has dirt tracks instead. It is also clear that Eastleigh in the UK is cleaner than in Kenya. The evidence for this is that there is rubbish everywhere. This would suggest that there is no rubbish collection. This is probably because it is poor. This is shown by the indicators. The GDP per capita is much higher in the UK (\$35,082) whereas in Kenya it is \$1,729.



### What is drought?

A drought is a period when an area lacks water, which can last months or even years. Generally, this is because of a reduction in the amount of rainfall.

It effects Kenya, Somalia and Ethiopia – an area known as the 'Horn of Africa'.





### Who are the Maasai?

- They are a group of people who have lived in East Africa for thousands of years.
- There are about 400,000 Maasai people in Kenya but also some in Northern Tanzania.
- They rely on livestock such as cattle and goats for food and will move with them to find grass and water.
- When they find a place with enough food and water for their animals, they will build small mud huts and live there until there is no more grass or water for the animals.
- This way of life is known as being semi-nomadic.

# The Maasai way of life is changing!

# Nairobi National Park XINHUA Tourism More crops Growth of towns and cities

### Tourism in Kenya

Tourism has both a positive and negative impact on Kenya.

Positive:

- Development
- Employment
- Money
- Aid

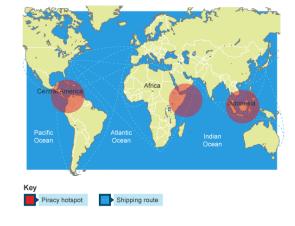
### Negative:

- Environmental impact
- Loss of tribal life

# Drought

### Why do some people become pirates?

- Income
- Corruption
- Development
- Aspiration



### What does 'poverty' really mean?

Absolute **poverty** is **defined** as the lack of sufficient resources with which to keep body and soul together.

Relative **poverty** defines income or resources in relation to the average. It is concerned with the absence of the material needs to participate fully in accepted daily life.









Life in Kibera

The largest slum (illegal settlement) in Nairobi is Kibera. One third of Nairobi lives here. Like most of the slum areas of cities it is located on the outskirts of the city.

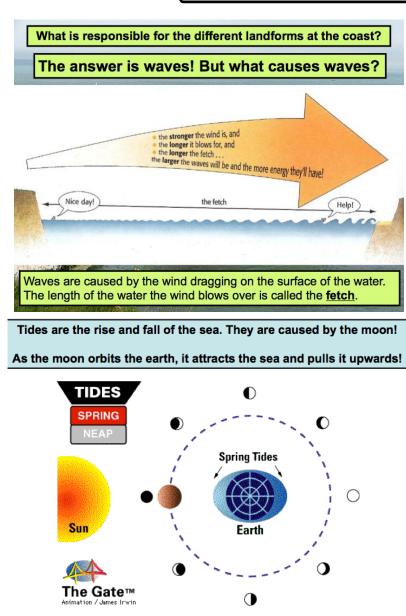
- •The government does not help the people.
- It is an illegal settlement.

•It has no water, no sanitation, no schools, no roads and no hospitals.

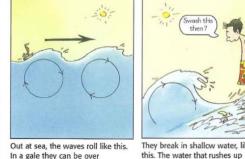
• The people have to help themselves or rely on charity like WaterAid, Oxfam and Comic Relief.



# Year 8 - Coasts



### When waves reach the coast



30 metres high!





The water rolling back into the sea, like this, is called the backwash.

These are destructive waves!

These are constructive waves!

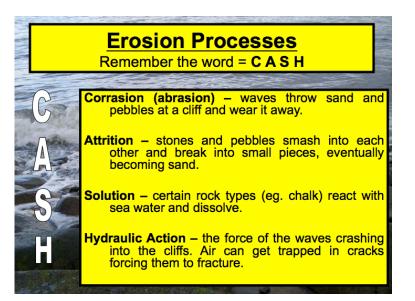
If the backwash has more energy than the swash the waves eat at the land, dragging pebbles and sand away. (This happens with high steep waves.)

But if the swash has more energy than the backwash, material is carried on to the land and left there. (This happens with low flat waves.)

Destructive waves cause erosion and create steep narrow beaches.

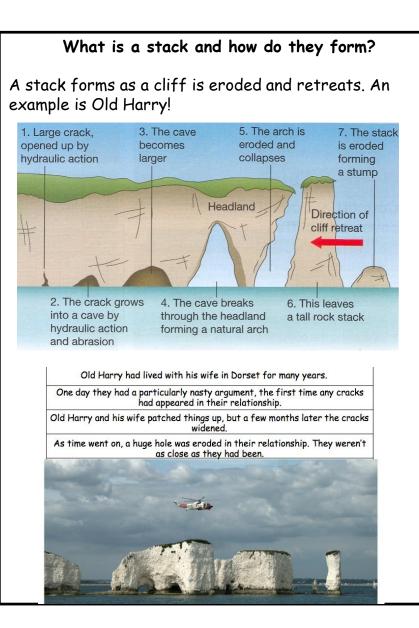
the sand is called the swash.

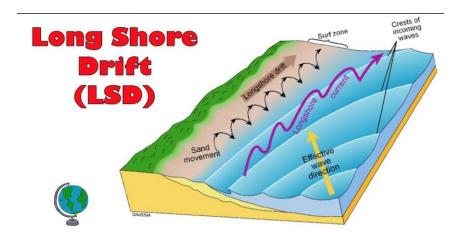
Constructive waves cause deposition and create gently sloping beaches.



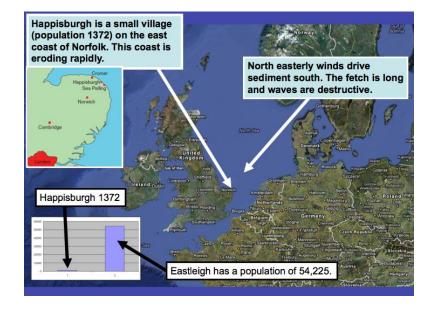


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# Year 8 - Coasts

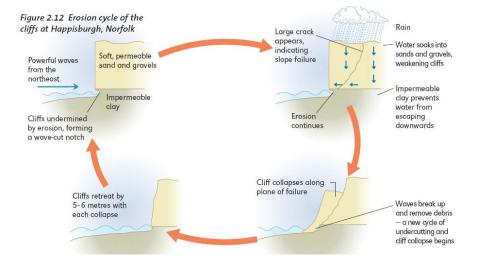


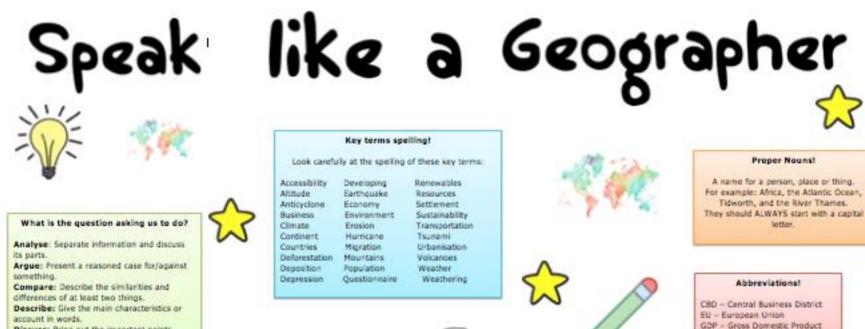
### Why is there so much erosion?

- 1. The cliffs are formed from soft glacial sands, gravels and clays (boulder clay).
- 2. There is a long fetch (distance the waves travel) to the north and northeast.
- 3. The narrow beaches give little protection to storm waves.
- 4. Weathering of the cliffs leads to slumping.
- 5. Human interventions along the coast e.g. Sea wall at Cromer have starved the beach at Happisburgh of sediment.

### The History of Defence

- 1953 Wooden groynes and revetments
- 1980 Wooden defences failed due to their age, and a lack of maintenance and repair. Wooden defences are not very sustainable.
- 1989 North Norfolk District Council identified the need to renew defences but had no funding to do so.
- 2000 A plan to put in rock groynes was supported by many residents but a few objected. Erosion rates were now reaching 10-12m a year and the plan was withdrawn in 2002 as by this time it no longer met financial criteria.
- 2002 Coastal Concern Action Group (CCAG) was set up to argue the case for protecting Happisburgh.
- 2006 5000 tonnes of rock put on the beach as rock armour at a cost of £250,000. This is a temporary measure to buy Happisburgh time (about 10 years) to adapt to the new SMP policy of doing nothing.
- 2010 Local groups including CCAG have raised funds to top up existing rock armour.





Discuss: Bring out the important points, consider the good/bad and come to a

conclusion. Evaluate: Give reasons why something happens.

Summarise: Present the points briefly, pick out key information.

### What do you think language! Use these sentence starters when you want

to share your views/opinions (which are very importanti):

- · I think that ...
- · I believe ...
- In my opinion ....
- In my view ....
- It is my belief that ....
- · It is clear to see ...

-	Elaborating your ideas!		
	Use sentence starters such as:		
	<ul> <li>This suggests</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>This shows</li> </ul>		

- · This infers ...
- This signifies ....
- This implies
- This portrays ...
- This conveys ....
- This means ...
- · Therefore
- . However ...
- Furthermore ...
- ... To develop your brillant. points/ideas/arguments1

Use connectives to link each paragraph!	Although     Except     Unless     However     Therefore	Firstly     Secondly     Next     Finally     Since
Adding to: • Forthermore • Also • As well as • Moreover	Cause and effect: • Thus • So • Therefore • Consequently	Contrasting: • Whereas • Instead of • Alternatively • Otherwise • Then again
To empathise: • Above al • Utimately • Especially • Significantly	To compare: • Likewise • Equally • In the same way • Similarly	Give examples: • Such as • For example • In the case of • As revealed by • For instance

Evolain an idea:

letter.

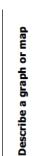
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LIC - Low Income Country

TNC - Trans National Corporation

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# **REACHING THE NEXT STEP IN GEOGRAPHY!**



Are there any gradient changes or smaller patterns?

Describe every part... front, back, middle?

What shape and size is it? (What can you see?)

Sequence sentences in order of scale (global and zoom in)

Include seas, oceans or other physical landscapes

Use GCSE every time

General pattern/trend

Compare

Specific examples



Exceptions/anomalies

Use adjectives

Use compass directions

Mention other place names

Add distances from other places

Name it

Describe

landform

Describe a location





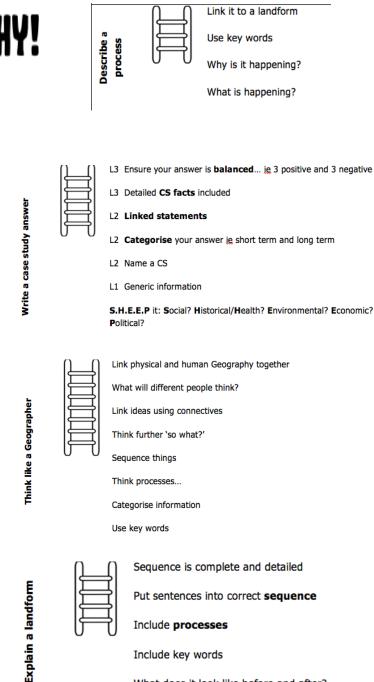
Use paragraphs for different categories

Use a wider range of adjectives

Use a range of different connectives

Use capital letters for all place names

P.E.E paragraphs: Point, Evidence, Explain!



Include key words

What does it look like before and after?