

Year 8 Geography Learning Map

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- TERM 1 -

Risky World and Tourism

In this topic you will study the knowledge to understand the causes, effects and responses to natural hazards around the world. We will look at the earth's physical processes and study the structure of our world's volcanoes. We will then move to looking at the causes, effects, opportunities and challenges of a world filled with tourists!



LINKS TO PRIOR LEARNING

During this term, you will use your previous knowledge on major cities and fantastic places from Year 7 to be able to draw upon knowledge what is needed when understanding the physical processes that take place beneath us, where earthquakes and volcanoes are located and the impacts that each hazard can have on people and societies.



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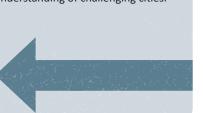
Challenging Cities and Ice Age

In this term you will have an in-depth study of the human relationships with the physical world. You will begin to look at the urban world and some of the opportunities and challenges of living in the world's cities. We will then look at what glaciers are; how they form and how climate change has impacted on this environment.



LINKS TO PRIOR LEARNING

During this term, you will use aspects of the physical geography that was taught in last term and in Year 7 to appreciate areas of the glaciated world and why people may still live in those areas. You will also use your knowledge of major cities from Year 7 to support your deeper understanding of challenging cities.



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Blue Planet

In this term, we will then learn about the ocean environments. You will be looking what coral reefs are; where they are located; typical characteristics of coral reefs and their importance to all life on earth. You will then look at the variety of impacts humans have on these environments. This will be an enjoyable topic filled with documentaries, discussions and role plays.

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By the end of this term, you will be able to use your knowledge from challenging cities, connected world and fantastic places to understand how we as people affect the global environment, with a particular focus on marine life and ocean ecosystems.

