

Year 3 Geography Knowledge Organiser - Mountains

Highest mountains in the United Kingdom

1. Ben Nevis (Scotland)
2. Slieve Donard (Northern Ireland)
3. Scafell Pike (England)
4. Snowdon (Wales)

Definition of a mountain:

A mountain is a special type of hill. A mountain is usually much higher and steeper than a hill. A hill that is more than 600 metres high is a mountain.

Mountain Ranges

1. Scotland has a lot of mountainous regions where lots of mountains are close together. This is called a mountain range.
2. Over 40 million people live in or around the Himalayan mountain range.
3. Mountain ranges can have extreme weather.

The Himalayas

1. The Himalaya mountain range cuts through many different countries like Nepal, India and China.
2. The highest mountain in the world is in the Himalayan mountain range.
3. The world's highest mountain is called **Mount Everest**.
4. Nine out of ten of the world's highest mountains are found in the Himalayan mountain range.



Why do people live on mountains ?

1. Mountains are beautiful and tourists visit to look at the scenery.
2. Tourists need hotels to stay in so people live and work in these.
3. Some tourists like to ski down or climb up the mountain slopes so people work to make this happen.
4. 13 million people live in towns and villages in the mountain range called the Alps.
5. People who live on steep mountain slopes have learned how to grow crops by making terraces in the mountain.
6. People in the Philippines have been able to grow rice and vegetables on mountain slopes.

Terraces



Mountainous regions of the UK

1. The **Cairngorms** is a mountain range in **Scotland**.
2. The **Highlands** is another mountainous region in **Scotland** where people visit to trek and climb.
3. **Scafell Pike** is in the **Lake District**, England and people visit the town of **Keswick** to spend money.
4. The **Brecon Beacons** is a mountain range in **South Wales**.
5. **North Wales** has a mountain range called **Snowdonia**. The tallest mountain, **Snowdon**, is 1085m high.



Vocabulary

1. Hill	Land that is higher than the land around it
2. Mountain	A hill that is more than 600 metres high
3. Ben Nevis	The UK's highest mountain
4. Mountainous Regions	Lots of mountains in the same area
5. Mountain Range	Lots of mountains close together in one place
6. Himalayas	A mountain range in Asia
7. Mount Everest	The world's highest mountain
8. Peak	Where the mountain rises towards the top
9. Slope	The side of a mountain
10. Terraces	Steps cut into slopes so people can live
11. Summit	The highest point of a mountain
12. Alps	A mountain range in Europe which includes a place called Zermatt in Switzerland
13. Adapted	Make changes in order to live or work
14. Andes	A mountain range in South America - it is the world's longest mountain range
15. Terraced Farming	Growing crops on the terraces cut into the slope of a mountain
16. Mountain pass	Tunnels / roads cut through the mountain so cars can travel easier
17. Cairngorms	A mountain range in Scotland
18. Highlands	A mountainous region in the North of Scotland
19. Trek	A type of walk where you might climb mountains
20. Yorkshire Dales	Area of natural beauty in the Pennines popular for walking: Dales are also known as valleys
21. Above sea level	A mountain is measured in metres from sea level at the bottom to the summit at the top
22. Temperature	How warm or cold somewhere is