

Exploring Our Coastlines with Finn the Dolphin

Learning objective: To describe the physical and human features of a coastline and explain how they change over time.

Use this writing frame to help Finn the Dolphin create a report about his favourite coastal areas. Use the word bank to help you link your ideas together.

Finn the dolphin glided through the cool, salty water, observing the dramatic meeting point where the vast ocean crashes against the jagged edge of the land.

Word bank: furthermore · consequently · on the other hand · coastal erosion · human features · natural landmarks · in addition · significantly · tidal

1. Introduction: Describe the location of your chosen coastline. Where is it and what does it look like? Start by saying... (2 marks)

2. Physical Features: Identify two natural features you would find here (e.g., cliffs, caves, or sandy beaches). You could explain... (3 marks)

3. Human Features: Describe how people use this coastline today. Think about harbours, lighthouses, or seaside towns. Start by writing... (3 marks)

4. Processes of Change: Explain how the coast changes over time due to waves or wind. You might mention... (3 marks)

5. Conclusion: Summarise why it is important to protect our coastlines for the future. You could finish by saying... (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Imagine you are a coastal scientist. Write a short diary entry explaining one way you would protect a sandy beach from the power of the tide.