

Finn's Global Population Fact-File

Learning objective: To understand what population means and identify how people are distributed across the world.

Help Finn the dolphin map out how people live around the globe! Use your geography knowledge to fill in the sections of this fact-file. Think about why some places have more people than others.

Word bank: population · densely populated · sparsely populated · distribution · urban · rural · climate · resources

1. What is 'population'? Explain in your own words what we mean when we talk about the population of a place. (2 marks)

2. Densely Populated Areas: Describe a place where many people live close together. What do we call this type of area? (2 marks)

3. Sparsely Populated Areas: Describe a place where very few people live. Why might it be difficult for many people to live there? (2 marks)

4. The Role of Climate: How does the weather or climate of a country affect where people choose to build their homes? (3 marks)

5. Urban vs Rural: What is the main difference between living in an urban area and a rural area? (2 marks)

6. Resource Hunting: Name two resources (like water or fertile soil) that attract larger populations to a specific area. (2 marks)

Extension challenge: If you were planning a new city, where would you put it to make sure the population has everything they need to survive and thrive? Explain your choice.