

Finn's Coastal Explorer Fact-File

Learning objective: To identify and describe the physical and human features of a coastal environment.

Join Finn the dolphin on an adventure to the seaside! Use this fact-file to record your research about a specific stretch of coastline. You can choose a famous beach you have visited or research one using your school library books. Write clearly and remember to include both natural features and things built by people.

Word bank: erosion · deposition · coastline · headland · harbour · lighthouse · cliff · tide · tourism · bay

1. Coastal Location: Name the beach or coastal area you are studying and describe where in the UK it is located. (2 marks)

2. Physical Features: Describe two natural features found at this location, such as cliffs, sandy shores, or rock formations. (3 marks)

3. Human Features: List two things humans have built at this coast (e.g. piers, harbours, or sea walls) and explain why they were built. (3 marks)

4. The Power of the Sea: Explain how the sea might be changing the shape of the coastline over time. (2 marks)

5. Coastal Economy: How do people living at this coast earn a living? Consider fishing, tourism, or shipping. (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Imagine you are a coastal town planner. If you had a budget of £5,000 to improve the coastal area you studied, what would you spend it on to help protect the environment or support the local community? Write a short plan for your project.