

Finn's Mountain Mapping Expedition

Learning objective: To identify and describe the physical features of a mountain environment using geographical vocabulary.

Finn the dolphin has been exploring the world's tallest peaks! Look at the list of mountain features below. Match each feature to its correct description to help Finn complete his mountain map.

Word bank: Summit · Slope · Valley · Tree line · Glacier · Peak

1. 1. The very top point of a mountain. (Hint: Often covered in snow!) (1 mark)

2. 2. The area of low land between two mountains or hills, often containing a river. (1 mark)

3. 3. The side of a mountain that rises from the bottom to the top. (1 mark)

4. 4. The highest altitude on a mountain where trees are still able to grow. (1 mark)

5. 5. A large, slow-moving mass of ice formed by snow accumulation over many years. (1 mark)

6. 6. Why is it usually colder at the summit of a mountain compared to the valley floor? Explain your reasoning. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a cross-section of a mountain. Label the summit, the slope, and the valley. Add a small drawing of a glacier near the top!



Extension challenge: Research one famous mountain range in the UK, such as the Pennines or the Scottish Highlands. Write three sentences about what a hiker might see if they were walking there.