

Finn’s Climate Explorer Word Mat

Learning objective: To understand and define key geographical vocabulary related to global climate zones and weather patterns.

Key Vocabulary

Study these terms grouped by their geographical themes. Use this mat to help you explain how climates differ across the globe.

Climate The long-term pattern of weather co...	Weather The day-to-day state of the atmosp...	Equator An imaginary line circling the Earth,...
Hemisphere Half of the Earth, usually divide...	Latitude The distance of a place north or sou...	Tropical Zone The hot, humid region located..
Temperate Zone Regions with moderate te...	Polar Zone The cold, icy regions near the N...	Precipitation Any form of water, such as rain...
Arid A climate that is extremely dry with very ...	Tundra A vast, flat, treeless Arctic region wh...	Altitude The height of an object or point in re..
Atmosphere The layer of gases surrounding...	Greenhouse Effect The process where gas...	Sustainability Using natural resources in a ...
Explain why the c...	Compare and con...	Justify why a mo...
What might happ...	Define 'sustainabi...	If Finn the dolphi...