

Exploring Asia: Geography Assessment

Learning objective: To assess knowledge of the physical and human geography of Asia, including its diverse climates, major landmarks, and geographical features.

Read each question carefully. Ensure your answers are clear and written in full sentences where requested. Check your work for accuracy before submitting.

Finn the dolphin has been mapping the world's oceans and continents. He has just finished his study of Asia, the largest continent on Earth. Asia stretches from the frozen Arctic circle in the north to the tropical islands in the south. It is home to the world's highest mountains, vast deserts, and some of the most densely populated cities in the world. Finn notes that Asia's climate is incredibly varied, ranging from icy polar regions to humid rainforests.

Word bank: Continent · Himalayas · Equator · Monsoon · Tundra · Population · Landlocked · Archipelago

1. Name the mountain range located in Asia that contains the highest peak on Earth. (1 mark)

2. Define the term 'archipelago' and provide one example of an Asian country that is an archipelago. (2 marks)

3. Explain how the 'monsoon' season affects the climate and daily lives of people living in parts of South Asia. (3 marks)

4. Asia contains both the highest and lowest points on land. Identify these two geographical features. (2 marks)

5. Describe two ways in which the physical geography of Northern Asia (near the Arctic) differs from the physical geography of Southeast Asia. (4 marks)

6. Many Asian countries have very large populations. Why might people choose to live in river valleys or coastal plains rather than in mountainous or desert regions? (4 marks)

7. Extended Writing: Imagine you are traveling across Asia with Finn the dolphin. Describe a journey from the cold, northern Tundra to the tropical southern coastline. Include details about the changing landscapes, climates, and the types of plants or animals you might encounter along the way. (9 marks)

Draw: Draw a map of Asia in the box below. Label at least three major physical features (such as a desert, a mountain range, or an ocean) and shade the continent to show where you would expect to find a tropical climate.



Extension challenge: Total: /25