Finn’s African Geographical Expedition

Learning objective: To identify and categorise key physical and human geographical features of the African continent.

Finn the dolphin has been mapping the wonders of Africa! He has collected a list of geographical features, but he has mixed them up. Read each item in the list and sort them into the correct category: Physical Geography (natural features) or Human Geography (features created by people).

Word bank: Sahara Desert · Nile River · City of Cairo · Mount Kilimanjaro · Victoria Falls · Great Mosque of Djenné · Serengeti National Park · Port of Durban · Atlas Mountains · Trans-Saharan Highway

1. 1. Look at the word bank. Write the five items that are examples of Physical Geography. (5 marks)

2. 2. Write the five items that are examples of Human Geography. (5 marks)

3. 3. Explain why a bridge or a road is classified as 'Human Geography' rather than 'Physical Geography'. (2 marks)

4. 4. Finn is travelling to the Sahara Desert. Is this a tropical rainforest or an arid environment? Why? (2 marks)

5. 5. If you were building a new city in Africa, list one physical feature you would want to be near and explain why. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a map of Africa. Inside the continent, draw a symbol for a physical feature (like a mountain or a river) and a symbol for a human feature (like a bridge or a building). Label them clearly.

Extension challenge: Research a major African river. Write a short paragraph explaining how local communities use this river for their daily lives, including transport, farming, or electricity generation.