Geography Year 2

Polar Regions

Key Facts



- The Arctic is in the north.
- The Antarctic is in the south.
- The Arctic is not a county or continent it is actually mostly frozen ocean.
- Antarctica is a continent because it is actually land covered in ice.
- The Arctic only has 2 seasons (winter and summer).
- In the winter, the sun does not rise so it can be cold and dark for months.
- Antarctica is the coldest and driest place on earth.
- The physical features in the Arctic are mountains, fjords, islands and plateaus.
- The physical features in Antarctica are valleys, glaciers, seas, mountains and volcanoes.
- The Inuit live in the Arctic and they need special equipment to survive.
- There are no people living in Antarctica because it is too cold.
- There are many different animals living in the Arctic regions. They have special adaptations to survive.
- These animals are under threat from climate change.

Geographical Skills



Investigate the Arctic regions and ask questions

Make observations about the similarities and differences

Locate the regions on a map

Identify human and physical features

Key Vocabulary



Arctic Antarctic North South Continent Ocean

Physical Human

Valley

Glacier

Sea

Mountain

Volcano

Inuit



