

Year 3 World Landmarks

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TOPIC VOCABULARY

altitude	the height of a thing above earth or above sea level.
biome	the community of plants and animals that occur naturally in an area, often sharing common characteristics specific to that area.
pollution	poisons, wastes, or other materials that damage the earth
climate change	a change in climate patterns due to the burning of fossil fuels.
resources	all of a country's wealth and its ways of producing wealth
world heritage site	An important place for cultural, historical or scientific reasons
densely populated	Many people living in one place
temperate	having neither extremely hot nor extremely cold temperatures and mild weather
tourism	traveling, usually for sightseeing or relaxing

Coral Reefs The word reef comes from the old Viking word 'rif' which means rib - an undersea danger to ships. Reefs are made up of corals and algae. Corals are alive, yet made of stone. Algae live inside the coral and give them their colour. Corals only live in 1% of the world's oceans yet they are home to 25% of the oceans' life. A reef can only grow in shallow water. They are most commonly found in the tropics where the water is clear and warm and has plenty of strong sunlight. This map shows where the coral reefs are found in the world.



The Golden Gate Bridge, San Francisco, USA

The Colosseum, Rome, Italy

The Great Wall of China



Macchu Picchu, Peru

The Pyramids, Giza, Egypt

The Great Barrier Reef, Australia

AIR TRAVEL

Air travel was only invented just over 100 years ago. The first flight was by the Wright Brothers in 1903. Nowadays air travel is the quickest way of reaching faraway places. The world's busiest airport is in the USA. Air travel is one of the cheapest ways to travel. Demand for it goes up every year. New airports are built every year. These take up a lot of space. The noise and fumes from planes are also harming the environment.

Flight times between major cities

From	To	Journey time (hours)
London	Johannesburg	11
London	New York	7½
Los Angeles	Tokyo	11½
New York	Buenos Aires	11
Paris	Buenos Aires	13
Singapore	Sydney	8