



Y3 Knowledge Organiser – Living in desert

Unit Overview:

Embark on an exciting journey to explore the fascinating world of deserts with the 'In the Desert' Geography scheme of work designed for Year 3 children. Throughout this unit, students will develop an understanding of what deserts are and the unique features of desert habitats. They will also explore the major deserts of the world, while investigating the physical and human geography of the desert biome.

Key words	
Desert	Oasis
Arid	Adaptations
Drought	Nomadic
Sand dunes	Mirage
Cacti	Erosion

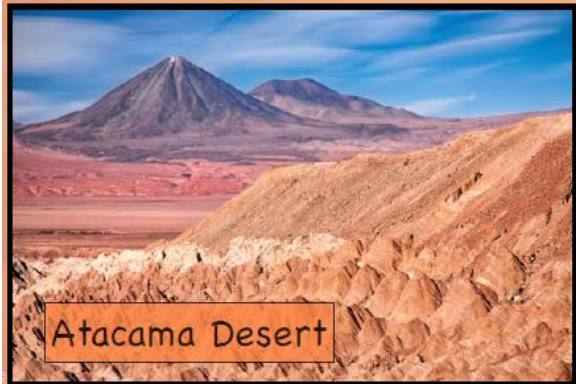
Six Key areas of Learning		
Definition and Characteristics of Deserts:	Major Deserts of the World:	Physical Features of Desert Habitats:
Students will learn what defines a desert and explore the unique features and characteristics of desert environments.	Students will identify and locate major deserts around the world, gaining knowledge about their names, locations, and key geographical features.	Students will study the physical aspects of desert habitats, including climate, landforms, and vegetation, and understand how these elements contribute to the unique nature of deserts.
Adaptations in Desert Environments:	Human Geography of Deserts:	Comparing Hot and Cold Deserts:
Students will explore the remarkable adaptations of plants and animals that enable them to survive in the harsh conditions of deserts.	Students will examine the human aspects of desert regions, including settlements, lifestyles, and economic activities, to gain an understanding of how people interact with and adapt to desert environments.	Students will compare hot deserts (e.g., Sahara) and cold deserts (e.g., Antarctic), exploring the differences in climate, wildlife, and human presence in these contrasting desert environments.



Sahara Desert



Antarctica



Atacama Desert



Gobi Desert

