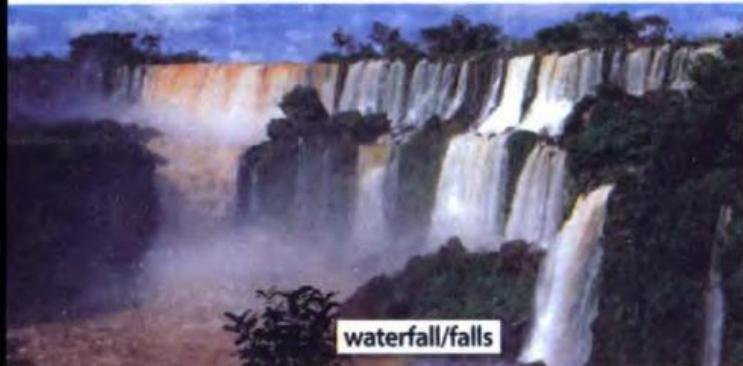


13 Geography

A Geographical features



waterfall/falls

One of the most important **geographical features** in South America is the Iguazu Falls, which are the **waterfalls** of the Iguazu River. They are **located** on the border between Argentina and Brazil in the **southern** part of South America. The falls **divide** the river into the upper and lower Iguazu. The river **flows** mostly through Brazil, but the falls are **mainly** on the Argentinian side.



desert



mountainous region (the Alps)



jungle (the Amazon)

GLOSSARY

geographical	relating to the Earth and everything on it, such as mountains, rivers, etc. geography <i>n</i>
feature	an important part of something
located	in a place location <i>n</i> : <i>The house is in a lovely location.</i>
southern	connected with, in or from the south ALSO northern, eastern, western , plus south-eastern, north-western , etc.
divide	cut or separate sth into smaller parts
flow (of water)	move in a continuous way in one direction flow <i>v</i>
mostly	almost all syn mainly

1 Yes or No?

► Are waterfalls usually on lakes? No
1 Can you swim up a waterfall? _____
2 Is the Alps a mountainous region? _____
3 Are deserts full of water? _____
4 Do rivers flow? _____

5 Do rivers sometimes divide? _____
6 Is a jungle like a desert? _____
7 Is **mainly** the same as **always**? _____
8 Does the location of something tell you where it is? _____

2 Complete the text.

Budapest is ► **located** in the (1) _____ part of Hungary. The River Danube (2) _____ through the city from the north, and (3) _____ the city into two parts: hilly Buda on the (4) _____ side and the much larger and flatter Pest on the (5) _____ side. The city has a population of nearly 2 million, which lives (6) _____. (7) _____ bridges and castles are two of the most famous.



3 Do this quiz.

► London is located on the **south-eastern** side of England.
1 The Amazon jungle is in _____.
2 The River Nile flows through the continent of _____.
3 The Alps is a mountainous region in the continent of _____.
4 Niagara Falls is a series of three waterfalls on the border between _____ and _____.
5 The Sahara is a desert in _____.
6 Patagonia is in the southern part of _____.
7 In 1993, Czechoslovakia was divided into two countries: the _____ Republic and _____.
8 The Urals are an important geographical feature of western _____.

GEOGRAPHY QUIZ

4 ABOUT YOUR COUNTRY

What are some of the main geographical features in your country, and where are they located? Write your answer, or tell another student.



TEST YOURSELF

B The coast

Wanscombe, near the port of Padstow, has a lovely bay. Its beach¹ is sandy with a few rocks² quite near the shore. There's a cliff³ behind the beach, and children often play in the caves⁴ there.

At one end of the beach, there's a small harbour⁵. When the weather's bad and the sea is rough, it protects the sailing boats⁶ from the high waves⁷. You can sometimes see large ships on the horizon⁸.



GLOSSARY

port a town or city that has a large area of water where ships load goods, etc; an area where ships stop to let goods and passengers on and off
bay a part of the coast where the land goes in to form a curve

sandy covered in the white/yellow material you find in deserts and on beaches **sand** *n*
shore the land along the edge of the sea or a lake
rough A **rough** sea has big waves. **OPP calm**
protect sb/sth (from sth) keep sth/sb safe from sth **protection** *n*

5 Find the end of each word.

cave | rocks and sailing bay horizon protect port shore beach wave rough harbour sand cliff

6 Which words are being defined?

- (of the sea) not calm
- 1 the line in the distance between the land and the sky
- 2 a large piece of stone
- 3 the land at the edge of the sea where it meets the beach
- 4 a high area of rock near the sea
- 5 a place where ships or boats are kept and protected from the sea
- 6 an area of sand or small stones beside the sea where people sit and relax
- 7 a large hole in a cliff or under the ground
- 8 A type of boat you see in a harbour

rough
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7 Complete the sentences.

- It was a nice day, so we went to the beach
- 1 When it's stormy, the sea gets very
- 2 A huge hit the boat, and I almost fell out.
- 3 The harbour the boats in bad weather.
- 4 Hamburg is a major in Germany where about 9,000 ships call a year.
- 5 You have to climb down the to get to the beach.
- 6 I looked out to sea and I could just see a boat on the
- 7 We didn't swim, but we walked along the with our feet in the water.
- 8 The beach is great for children because it's and they can play there safely.

8 ABOUT YOU Do you often have holidays on the coast? Do you go to a particular bay? How do you get there? What's the beach like? Write your answers, or tell another student.

 **TEST YOURSELF**