# Geography

## **A** Geographical features



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. <b>geography</b> n
feature	an important part of something
located	in a place <b>location</b> <i>n</i> : The house is in a lovely <b>location</b> .
southern	connected with, in or from the <i>south</i> ALSO <b>northern</b> , <b>eastern</b> , <b>western</b> , plus <b>south-eastern</b> , <b>north-western</b> , etc.
divide	cut or separate sth into smaller parts
flow (of water)	move in a continuous way in one direction $\mathbf{flow}  v$
mostly	almost all SVN <b>mainly</b>

#### 1 Yes or No?

	Are waterfalls usually on lakes?	No.	5	Do rivers sometimes divide?	
1	Can you swim up a waterfall?		6	Is a jungle like a desert?	
2	Is the Alps a mountainous region?		7	Is <i>mainly</i> the same as <i>always</i> ?	
3	Are deserts full of water?		8	Does the location of something	
4	Do rivers flow?			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	e city into two parts: hilly Bu	uda on the <b>(4)</b>
side and the much larg	ger and flatter Pest on the (5)	)side. The city
has a population of ne	arly 2 million, which lives (6)	in Pest. The
bridges and castles are	two of the most famous (7)	of Budapest.



### 3 Do this quiz.

► London is located on the <u>south-eastern</u> side of England.	<b>GEOGRAPHY QUIZ</b>
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	
<b>7</b> In 1993, Czechoslovakia was divided into two countries: theR	epublic and
8 The Urals are an important geographical feature of western	··········•

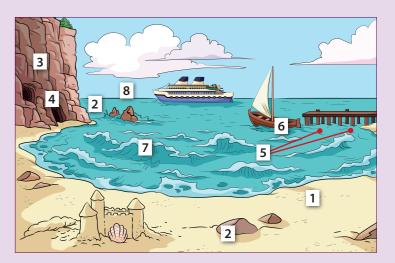
ABOUT YOUR COUNTRY What are some of the main geographical features in your country, and where are they located? Write your answer, or tell another student.



### **B** The coast

Wanscombe, near the port of Padstow, has a lovely bay. Its beach1 is sandy with a few rocks<sup>2</sup> guite near the shore. There's a cliff 3 behind the beach, and children often play in the caves4 there.

At one end of the beach, there's a small harbour<sup>5</sup>. When the weather's bad and the sea is rough, it protects the sailing boats6 from the high waves<sup>7</sup>. You can sometimes see large ships on the horizon<sup>8</sup>.



#### 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			
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a part of the coast where the land goes in to form a

sandy shore rough protect sb/sth (from sth)

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

Find the end of each word.



6 Which words are being defined?

•	(of the sea) not calm	rough
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	

Co	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 alr	most fell out.	
3	The harbour	the boats in ba	d weather.	
4	Hamburg is a majo	rin Germ	any 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, bu	t 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.



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