

Knowledge organiser: Year 3 and 4 Focus: Geography – What is water worth?

This term Year 3 and Year 4 will be learning about lakes, focusing on the five great lakes of North America. They will also look at coasts, comparing the British coast with the Spanish coast.



People use the acronym HOMES to remember the great lakes.



- The Great Lakes are five lakes in eastern North America.
- Together they cover 95,000 square miles.
- They form the largest connected area of fresh water on earth.
- Lake Superior is the largest and deepest lake.

Huron

Ontario

Michigan

Erie

Superior



Our vocabulary

Definition

lake	A large body of water surrounded by land.
coast	The area where the sea and land meet.
cliff	A cliff is a very steep natural wall of rock usually found on coasts, mountains and rivers.
bay	A body of water that is partly surrounded by land.
high tide	The point in the tidal cycle where the sea level is at its highest.
low tide	The point in the tidal cycle where the sea level is at its lowest.
cove	A cove is a small type of bay.
inlet	A small or narrow bay.
basin	A large low lying area often found below sea level.
freshwater	Water that does not contain a lot of salt.
saltwater	Water with a high amount of salt in it.
dune	A hill or a ridge of sand piled up by the wind.