

Frequently asked questions

General

- Explain how erosion and deposition can change the shape of a coastline.
- Using your own knowledge, describe and explain how people make use of the coastline.
- Describe how landforms affect the lives of people living along the coastline. Use examples.

Coastal erosion

- Describe how corrasion (abrasion) erodes the cliffs.
- Describe ways in which rapid erosion by the sea affects the lives of people who live along the coast.
- Explain how hydraulic action erodes cliffs.

Coastal deposition

- Explain why named processes lead to the formation of spits.

Formation of features

- Draw an annotated diagram to explain the movement of sand and pebbles along a beach.
- Draw an annotated diagram to explain why processes of coastal erosion, other than hydraulic action, may result in cliff retreat.
- Explain how named processes lead to the formation of one coastal landform. You must use one or more labelled diagrams to support your answer.

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EXAM QUESTIONS

Coastal defences

- Describe some of the threats that coastal erosion can bring. Explain how the coastline can be protected.
- Explain two ways that could be used to protect the coastline from erosion. Use an example or examples to help your answer.
- Explain the advantages and disadvantages of different strategies to manage the coastline. Use one or more examples you have studied to help your answer.
- Describe how hard engineering strategies, like the use of groynes, can help protect the coastline from erosion by waves.

Climate change

- Rising sea-levels pose a threat to many coastal areas. Explain how different coastal management strategies along the coastline can be used to reduce this threat. Refer to named places.
- Evidence shows that coastal environments may need to be managed differently in the future. What do you think is the most sustainable way to manage coastlines in the face of rising sea level? Explain your reasons for recommending this strategy.

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