Suggested prior learning What is life like in the Alps?

Unit hub

Would you like to live in the desert? :

Intended outcome of the unit

Identify the lines of latitude where hot desert biomes are located.

Describe the characteristics of a hot desert biome.

Locate the largest deserts in each continent.

Describe ways the Mojave Desert is used.

Name and describe the physical features found in a desert.

Identify how humans use the desert.

Explain how human activity may contribute to the changing climate and landscape of a desert.

Recognise that the Mojave Desert has a different time zone to the UK.

Describe some of the threats to deserts.

Give the benefits and drawbacks of living in a desert environment.

Identify characteristics of two contrasting biomes and compare land use.

Discussing if a desert environment is hospitable and why.

Key Vocab

agriculture airstrip arid	desertification drought flash flood

Week	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week
Lesson 1: What is a hot desert biome?	Lesson 2: Where are deserts located?	Lesson 3: What physical features are found in a desert?	Lesson 4: How can people use deserts?	Lesson 5: What are the threats to deserts?	Lesson 6: Would you like to live in the desert?
To summarise the characteristics of a desert biome.	To locate and explore features of deserts.	To describe the physical features of a desert environment.	To explain the different ways humans can use deserts.	To describe some of the threats facing deserts.	To explore the similarities and differences between two physical environments.

Suggested Next Steps

Where does our energy come from?

barren biome climate desert	mesa mining mushroom rock national park

Unit specific links:

Assessment – Geography Y5: Would you like to live in the desert?
Knowledge organiser
Key vocabulary