

Geography Dictionary

Tier 3 Words

Words & Phonetics	Definitions	Examples
Sustainable /suh.stay.nuh.buhl/	Operate in a way without compromising future generations being able to work in the same way.	This is economically sustainable.
Unsustainable /uhn.suh.stay.nuh.buhl/	Not operating in a way without compromising future generations being able to work in the same way.	This is economically unsustainable.
Development /duh.veh.luhp.muht/	Positive progress of society.	This increases national development.
Social /sow.shl/	Regarding people.	This is a social impact.
Economic /ee.kuh.no.muht/	Regarding money.	This is an economic impact.
Environmental /uhn.vai.ruh.men.tl/	Regarding the environment.	This is an environmental impact.
GDP /jee.dee.pee/	Gross domestic product.	This increased the national GDP.
GNI /jee.en.eye/	Gross national income.	This increased the national GNI.
HDI /aich.dee.eye/	Human development index.	This increased the national HDI.
Long term /long tuhm/	Thinking about the future.	This will have a long term effect on the environment.
Short term /shawt tuhm/	Thinking about the present.	This will have a short term effect on the environment.

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Hazard /ha.zuhd/	Can cause damage to people and property.	A volcano is a geological hazard.
Erosion /uh.row.zhn/	Wearing away of rock.	Headlands are formed by erosion.
Abrasion /uh.bray.zhn/	Material being used to accelerate erosion.	Abrasion is a type of erosional process.
Hydraulic action /hai.dro.luhk ak.shn/	The power of water breaking down rock.	Hydraulic action is a type of erosional process.