



Year 3 and 4 Knowledge Organiser - International Trade: Natural Resources

Key vocab

International trade is the exchange of goods and services between countries. Natural resources are all the land, forests, energy sources and minerals existing naturally that can be used by people. Humans and other life forms depend on natural resources to survive.



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international:	between countries
natural:	exists without humans
resources:	the things available for people to use
imported:	bought from another country
exporting:	selling to other countries
trade	the action of buying and selling goods and services.
Energy source	Sources from which energy can be obtained to provide heat, light, and power
Minerals	a substance obtained by mining.
Producing	make or manufacture from components or raw materials.
Ceramics	pots and other articles made from clay hardened by heat.
Nickel	A silvery-white metal

Sticky Knowledge

- International trade in natural resources is important because each resource occurs more commonly in some parts of the world than in others.
- Common natural resources include water, oil, forests, rocks, minerals, soil and animals.
- Humans are reliant on natural resources for survival and if the resources are not available in a country then they must be imported.
- Oil is used for fuel for transport, heating and producing electricity.
- Countries can earn money by exporting natural resources to other countries.
- Minerals are used for jewellery, glass, metal objects and ceramics.

- The map below shows where most of the world's oil is produced. Oil is an important natural resource for fuel. The Middle East is the world's largest producer of oil.



- The map below shows where most of the world's nickel and copper is mined. These metals are used for making batteries and are in increasing demand as more electric cars are made.

