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# **KS3 Knowledge Organiser - Coasts**

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Arab	A cave that has eroded		
Arch	through a headland		
De el une els	Part of a wave that returns		
васкwasn	down the beach.		
<b>D</b> ecision	A broad coastal area where		
вау	the land curves inwards.		
Cave	A natural chamber in a cliff		
Constructive			
Waves	Low gentle waves		
Demosition	The putting down of		
Deposition	sediment.		
Destructive			
Waves	Large powerful waves.		
Erosion	The wearing away and		
	removal of material by a		
	wave		
Catab	The distance a wave has		
reich	travelled.		
Goology	The rocks that make up an		
Geology	area		
	A narrow piece of land that		
Headland	projects from a coastline into		
	the sea		
	a natural feature of the		
Lanuform	earth's surface.		
Sediment	Particles of sand & mud etc		
Stack	A vertical structure left after		
	an arch has collapsed.		
	Part of a wave that travels up		
Swash	the beach.		
Tido	The daily rising and falling of		
lide	the sea		
Transportation	The movement of sediment		
	from one place to another.		
Wave	A movement of water caused		
	by the wind		

# What affects the size of a wave?

- The distance a wave has travelled, known as the fetch.
- How quickly the wind is blowing. • How long the wind has been blowing for.

# **Types of wave**

Constructive Wave





# What are the different types of erosion?

Abrasion -Froded material is

hurled or scrapes against the cliff, breaking off rock.

### Attrition -

Attrition Eroded materials in the sea hit into each other, breaking down into smaller pieces.

### Key Strong wind Light wind How long has it been 10 blowing (hours) С A 10



## **Headlands and Bays**

How are erosional landforms created?





### 1. Firstly, there are alternating layers of hard rock and soft rock along a coastline.

- 2.Destructive waves cause erosion to take place due to hydraulic action and abrasion.
- 3.As the soft rock is less resistant it erodes quickly, but the hard rock is more resistant so it erodes slowly.
- 4.As the soft rock retreats it creates a bay. The hard rock remains and this creates a headland.



1.A crack forms in a headland

2.Hydraulic action widens the crack to form a cave,

- 3. The cave is eroded by abrasion and hydraulic action all the way through the headland, creating an arch.
- 4. The base of the arch gets eroded and becomes wider, the roof has no support so it collapses 5.Leaving behind a vertical stack



# Constructive

- Stronger swash than backwash
- Low gentle waves
- Deposit sediment

# Destructive

- stronger backwash than swash.
- remove material from beaches
- high and steep waves

Hydraulic

action

Solution

Abrasion

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# Hydraulic action -Waves compress

pockets of air in cracks in a cliff, causing the crack to widen, breaking off rock.

Solution -

Cliffs dissolve in seawater

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# Key terms

	Wooden or concrete		
Cuartera	structures that stick out		
Groynes	into the sea and interrupt		
	longshore drift.		
	Manmade structures		
Hard Engineering	used to protect the coast.		
	A fresh water lake that		
Lagoon	forms behind a bar.		
Longshoro Drift	The process of sediment		
Longshore Drift	moving along the coast.		
	Allowing less valuable		
Managed Retreat	land to be taken over by		
-	the sea.		
Caltation	Sediment bounces along		
Saltation	the sea floor.		
	A concrete structure that		
Sea Wall	protects the coastline		
	from wave attack.		
	Protecting the coastline		
Soft Engineering	using natural materials		
	and processes.		
Colution	The sea dissolves minerals		
Solution	in rocks		
	Narrow depositional		
Spit	landform that is attached		
	to the coast at one end.		
Suspension	Lighter sediment floats in		
Suspension	the sea.		
Tombolo	A spit that attaches to an		
	island from the mainland.		
Traction	Large sediment is rolled		
	on the sea bed		

# What is the Jurassic Coast?

- Located in Devon and Dorset
- It is England's only Natural World Heritage Site and the only place in the world where rocks from the Triassic, Jurassic and Cretaceous are sequenced together.
- Brings in over £1.5 billion in tourist revenue a year.

How is sediment transported along the coastline?



1. The prevailing wind blows the waves onto the shore at an angle.

2.The swash carries sediment onto the beach at an angle.3.It is then pulled back to sea with the backwash at a right angle to the shore due

4.Gradually, sediment is moved along the coastline in the direction of the prevailing wind



# How can the coastline be protected?

	Advantages	Disadvantages	
Hard Engineering	Strong, durable, reliable	Expensive, ugly	
Soft Engineering	Looks natural, cheap, sustainable	Regular maintenance, not as effective	
RECURVED SEA WALL Concrete Wall Enter than absorbs wave energy Build up of	<ul> <li>Sea Wall</li> <li>Physical barrier between the coast and sea.</li> <li>The steps in front of the sea wall absorb wave energy.</li> <li>When a wave hits the sea wall it is blocked.</li> </ul>		

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 Some are recurved to reflect wave energy back to sea.

### Groynes

Steel Supports

- Sticks out to sea and interrupts longshore drift.
- Builds up the beach.

**Beach Material** 

- Waves break further out to sea.
- Causes waves to lose energy and deposit load

### Managed Retreat



- Less valuable land is flooded
- Salt marshes are created
- More valuable land is protected

