



Y4 Geography Migration



What is migration

Migration is the movement of people/animals from one place to another place.



What is the difference between forced migration and voluntary migration?

Voluntary migration is when people have the choice to either stay or move. When people are forced to leave a place due to reasons like war, poor living conditions, famine, natural disasters, it is called forced migration.



Why do people migrate?

Some people migrate in search of work, a better standard of living, to join their family, or to study. Others move to escape war, persecutions, natural disasters and adverse effects of climate change.

Migration has made our local area a very special place. Do you agree or disagree?

Migration has had both a positive and negative effect on the local area. It has increased cultural diversity; has helped fill job vacancies, especially in the public services, like nurses and bus drivers. It has also helped the local economy so there is more money being spent in the area.

However, migration can result in overcrowding and a lack of suitable homes. More people moving to the area also puts pressure on public services like hospitals and public transport.

Key vocabulary

Forced migration	migrants have no choice but to move eg when there is a war going on, persecution, drought, flood, volcanic eruption (eg Iceland)
Voluntary migration	migrants have chosen to move from one place to another eg when people move for a job
refugee	a person who has been forced to leave their country in order to escape war, persecution, or natural disaster. This person is seeking safety, or refuge.
rural	The countryside; away from cities and towns
urban	A city or town; a built-up area where many people live
weather	Weather refers to short term, day-to-day conditions, while climate is the typical weather - the average weather.
climate	Climate is what you would expect at a particular time in the year. Weather is what you get.