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Sow, Grow and Farm



Year 5 Geography

Farming in the UK

Farming is the business of growing crops and rearing livestock.

Up to 70% of the land in the UK is used for farming. There are three main types of farming in the UK. These are arable, pastoral and mixed.

- Arable farming is growing crops such as cereals and vegetables.
- Pastoral farming is rearing animals such as sheep and cows.
- Mixed farming is both growing crops and rearing animals

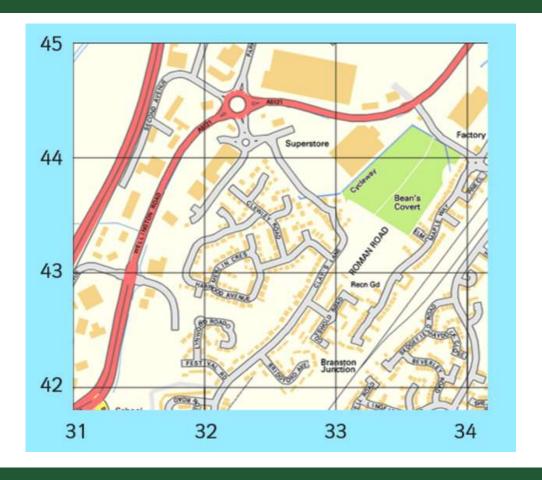
Climate Zones

The world is divided into five main climate zones. These are areas of similar average temperature and average rainfall.

Mountains have variable climates depending on altitude. These zones include:

- Polar Zone
- Temperate zone
- Mediterranean zone
- Desert zone
- Tropical zone

Six-Figure Grid References



Key Vocabulary

Allotment: A plot of land rented by an individual to grow vegetables or flowers.

Climate: The general weather conditions found in a place over a period of time.

Food miles: The distance between where something is grown to where it's eaten.

Irrigation: The practice of supplying land with water so that crops and plants will grow.

Test Yourself

- What is arable farming?
- Why is the climate in California suitable for citrus farming?
- Which countries have ideal weather conditions for growing coffee?

What I would like to know...