

## Natural Resources

### Station 1: Europe's Natural Resources

**Directions:** Based on the map and the passage provided at this station, answer the questions that follow in your passport.



Europe is a wealthy region and a world leader in economic development. Part of this wealth and success comes from Europe's rich supply of natural resources. This region's most important natural resources include: fertile, soil, water and fuels.

1. In addition to Britain, name three other countries also have coal deposits? Use the political map at your station to help you.
2. Name a natural resource that has enriched some of the countries that border the North Sea.
3. How might Europe's physical geography combined with its rich resources contribute to its economic development? Provide two details to support your answer.

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### Station 2: Peninsulas

**Directions:** Based on the map provided and the passage, answer the questions that follow in your passport.

A peninsula is a landmass that extends into a body of water. Even though we refer to Europe as a continent, it is a peninsula that extends westward from the great landmass of Asia. Europe is bordered by the Norwegian Sea to the north, the Atlantic Ocean to the west, and the Mediterranean, Black, and Caspian Seas to the south.

Europe's main peninsulas are the Iberian, Italian, and Balkan, located in southern Europe, and the Scandinavian and Jutland, located in northern Europe. The link between these peninsulas has made Europe a dominant economic, social, and cultural force throughout recorded history.



1. What is a peninsula?
2. Europe is a peninsula made up of peninsulas. Label the map in your passport with the names of Europe's peninsulas.
3. According to the passage, "The link between these peninsulas has made Europe a dominant economic, social, and cultural force throughout recorded history." Why do you think this is true?



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### Station 3: Russia's Natural Resources

**Directions:** Based on the map and the passage provided at this station answer the questions that follow in your passport.



Russia has developed its natural resources far less than Western Europe. Russia has a huge variety of natural resources even more than the United States.

1. Fossil fuels are nonrenewable resources that develop from the remains of fossils or ancient plants and animals. Identify three fossil fuels that are a natural resource of Russia.
2. Based on what you know about Russia's physical geography, infer why its natural resources are far less developed than Europe's. Include three pieces of evidence to support your answer.