

Content Words: Geography

isthmus	peninsula	strait	delta	oasis
tributary	valley	gorge	plateau	archipelago

SPECIAL WORDS NAME DIFFERENT LANDFORMS AND BODIES OF WATER IN GEOGRAPHY.

A **strait** is a narrow channel that connects two larger bodies of water.

An **isthmus** is a narrow strip of land that connects two large areas of land.

A **peninsula** is an area of land that is surrounded by water on three sides.

A **delta** is the dirt and sand that collect at the mouth of a river.

An **oasis** is a fertile place in a desert where there are water, trees, and other plants.

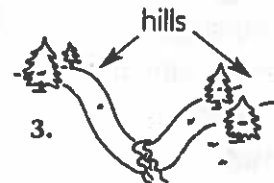
A branch of a river is called a **tributary**. / A **valley** is the land that lies between mountains or hills.

A **gorge** is a deep, narrow valley that often has a stream running through it.

A **plateau** is a large area of high, flat land. / A chain of islands is called an **archipelago**.



A. Write the name for each picture.



B. Write a vocabulary word for each clue.

- I'm like a branch but not on a tree trunk. _____
- It's fun to island-hop through me. _____
- I'm a good place to stop in the desert. _____
- Another word for me is *canyon*. _____

Word Meaning

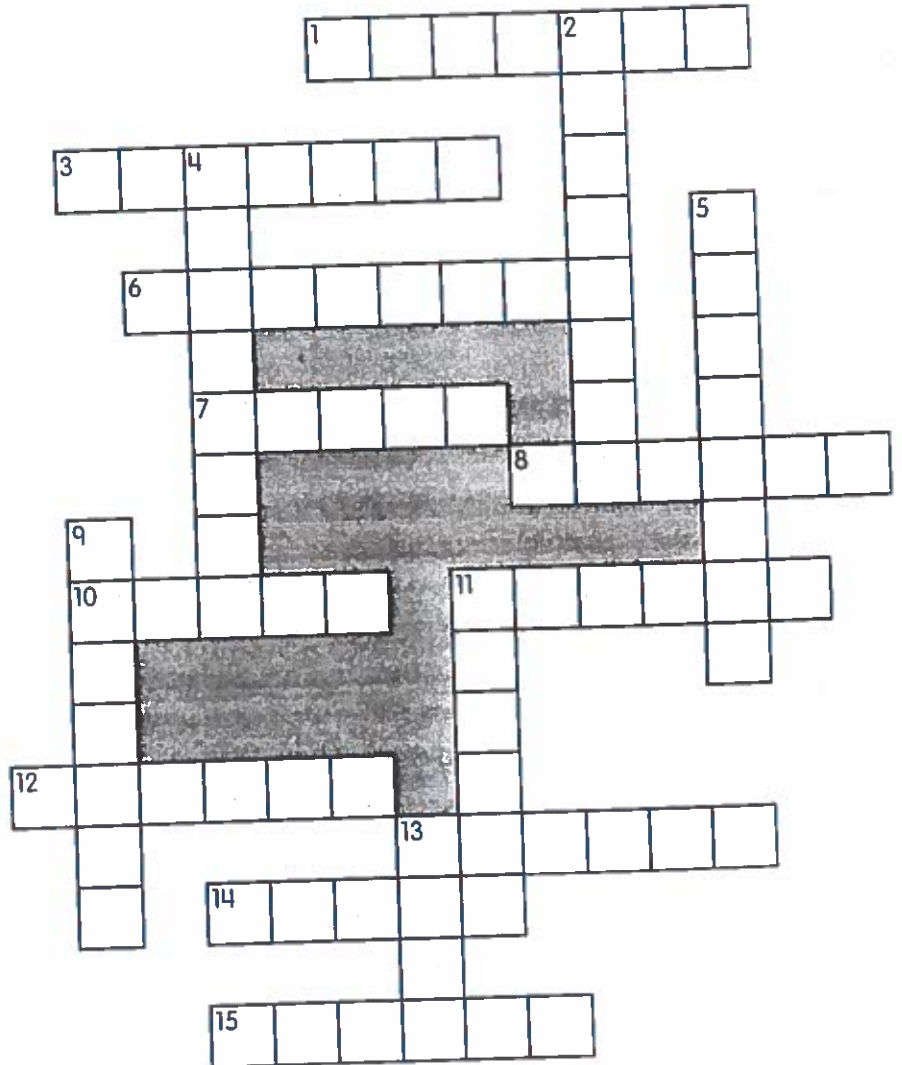
Complete the crossword puzzle using spelling words.
There is one word not on the spelling list. See if you can figure it out.

Across

1. needing a drink of water
3. a reason for doing something
6. a person who brings things into the country illegally
7. a person who heads a city or town government
8. a human being
10. ground; dirt
11. a piece of money worth 100 cents
12. an instrument used to take photographs
13. the part of a shirt that is around the neck
14. red, yellow, blue, etc.
15. to be curious about something

Down

2. something unexpected
4. the opposite of **forget**
5. the day after Wednesday
9. to be sure about something
11. a healer of sick people
13. the opposite of **hot**



My Spelling Dictation

Write the sentences. Circle the spelling words.

1. _____

2. _____