

## Spelling list: GCSE Geography: Hot Deserts

Key words for GCSE Geography.

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| appropriate  | <b>Appropriate</b> technology is technology designed to meet the needs, skill, knowledge and means of local people.   |
| biodiversity | <b>Biodiversity</b> is the measure of how many different species live in a particular ecosystem.  |
| cultivation  | Over <b>cultivation</b> is when the soil is exhausted by over-cropping and overgrazing.   |
| desert       | Hot deserts are areas that have high average temperatures and very low precipitation.   |
| extraction   | Mineral <b>extraction</b> is the removal of commercially valuable amounts of solid mineral resources from the earth.  |
| minerals     | <b>Minerals</b> include ores, which contain metals, such as iron; precious stones, such as diamonds; building stones, such as granite; and solid fuels, such as coal. |
| technology   | Appropriate <b>technology</b> normally combines simple ideas with cheap, sustainable and accessible materials.  |
| overgrazing  | <b>Overgrazing</b> is when soil is exhausted by too many livestock grazing on the land.   |