

Spelling list: GCSE Geography: Cold Environments

Key words for GCSE Geography.

biodiversity	Biodiversity is the measure of how many different species live in a particular ecosystem.
extraction	Mineral extraction is the removal of commercially valuable amounts of solid mineral resources from the earth.
fragile	A fragile environment is a natural area that is easily disturbed and difficult to restore.
infrastructure	Infrastructure refers to the basic equipment a place needs to function (e.g. roads, sewage, water) .
minerals	Minerals include ores, which contain metals, such as iron; precious stones, such as diamonds; building stones, such as granite; and solid fuels, such as coal.
permafrost	Permafrost is ground that is permanently frozen.
polar	The polar regions surround the north and south poles.
tundra	Tundra is a biome where the ground is frozen for most of the year and there is very little precipitation.
wilderness	A wilderness area is a natural environment that is left intact and undisturbed by human activity.