

Spelling list: GCSE Geography: Coastal Landscapes 2

Key words for GCSE Geography.

managed	Managed retreat is allowing natural cliff erosion to occur.
mechanical	Mechanical weathering is the physical break up of rock without any chemical changes.
movement	Mass movement is the downhill movement of mass surface materials such as soil, rock and mud.
nourishment	Beach nourishment is the artificial addition of new sand or shingle to a beach.
platform	Wave cut platforms are most obvious at low tide.
regeneration	There are several areas which would benefit from regeneration .
reprofiling	Beach reprofiling is the artificial reshaping of a beach.
retreat	The benefits of managed retreat are low costs and the creation of natural environments.
sliding	Sliding is when loose surface material becomes saturated and unstable causing it to slide downhill.
slumping	Slumping occurs when a whole segment of a cliff moves down slope along a rain lubricated slip plane.
soft	Soft engineering manages erosion by working with natural processes to restore beaches.
spit	A spit is a land form formed when a finger of beach material extends from shore to sea.
stack	An isolated pillar of rock left when the top of an arch has collapsed. Overtime further erosion reduces the stack to a smaller, lower stump.
transportation	Transportation is the movement of eroded material.

wave	Wave cut platforms are the very flat rock remains of cliffs previously eroded by the sea.
weathering	Sea water can cause chemical weathering .
wall	Sea walls are artificial concrete walls intended to prevent coastal erosion.