

Describing Maps

Oceans are made up of saline water and cover about three quarters of the Earth's surface.

Oceans contain hundreds of thousands of known species.

The closest seas to the UK are the North Sea, Irish Sea and the English Channel.

Oceans that are enclosed are called seas.



Physical features

Physical Features of the Earth

It has a core, mantle and crust.	The crust is the rock that covers the entire surface of the Earth.
Below the crust is the mantle which is made of hot liquid rock called magma	Some of the crust is submerged by the oceans of the world.
Under the oceans there are some high mountains and deep trenches that cannot be seen from the land.	The parts of the crust that are not submerged by the oceans is called land.
Some of the land has formed into high mountains and some into low valleys	Land is divided into continents, which are very large areas of land.

The biggest continent is Asia and the biggest ocean is the Pacific.

Earth:

The planet that we live on. It is a giant sphere.



Key vocabulary

Continent	A large area of land.
Ocean	A large area of saline water.
Saline	Salty.
Species	Plants or animals.
Enclosed	Surrounded by something.
Seas	Smaller, enclosed or partly enclosed areas of saline water.
Magma	Hot, liquid rock.
Submerged	Covered by water.