

The Earth – Ground

1st – Read the information.

Questions

2nd – Write down the information so you can understand it.

Presentation is key



Sources

The coldest place on Earth is on a frozen ice ridge of the [East Antarctic Plateau](#) where researchers measured temperatures that reached **-148°F**. The hottest place on earth include the [Lut Desert](#) in Iran and the Death Valley in California which recorded a temperature of **54.4°C** in August 2020. The earth's surface is continuously moving and this is called continental drift. [The North American and Eurasian tectonic plates](#), for example, are separated by the Mid-Atlantic Ridge. The two continents are moving away from each other at the rate of about **2.5 centimetres per year**. **10%** of the world is covered by glaciers, and a further **19%** is barren land. This leaves what we call 'habitable land'. **Half** of all habitable land is used for agriculture; **37%** is forests; **11%** as shrubs and grasslands; **1%** as freshwater coverage; and the remaining **1%** – a much smaller share than many suspect – is built-up urban area which includes cities, towns, villages, roads and other human infrastructure.