Junior Cycle Geography Action Verbs



Analyse:

study or examine something in detail, break down in order to bring out the essential elements or structure; identify parts and relationships, and to interpret information to reach conclusions

Assess:

judge, evaluate or estimate the nature, ability, or quality of something

Classify:

group things based on common characteristics

Compare:

give an account of the similarities and/or differences between two (or more) items or situations, referring to both/all of them throughout

Consider:

describe patterns in data; use knowledge and understanding to interpret patterns, make predictions and check reliability

Describe:

develop a detailed picture or image of, for example a structure or a process, using words or diagrams where appropriate; produce a plan, simulation or model

Distinguish:

make the differences between two or more concepts or items clear

Differentiate:

recognise or ascertain what makes something different

Evaluate (data):

collect and examine
data to make judgments and
appraisals; describe how evidence
supports or does not support a
conclusion in an inquiry
or investigation; identify the
limitations of data in conclusions;
make judgments about ideas,
solutions or
methods

Evaluate (ethical judgement):

collect and examine evidence to make judgments and appraisals; describe how evidence supports or does not support a judgement; identify the limitations of evidence in conclusions; make judgments about ideas, solutions or methods

Examine:

consider an argument or concept in a way that uncovers the assumptions and relationships of the issue

Explain:

give a detailed account, including reasons or causes

Identify:

recognise patterns, facts, or details; provide an answer from a number of possibilities; recognise and state briefly a distinguishing fact or feature

Interpret:

use knowledge and understanding to recognise trends and draw conclusions from given information information

Investigate:

observe, study, or make a detailed and systematic examination in order to establish facts and reach new conclusions

Synthesise:

to draw together, in written or other forms, different ideas, data, information and/or knowledge to create a new idea or deeper understanding

Use:

apply knowledge or rules to put theory into practice

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