Year 8 Geography- Russia

Vocabulary List

Adaptation	Methods used by living creates to cope with certain conditions.
Biomes	Large scale ecosystem
Climate	Average weather conditions for a place over 30 years or more.
Climate graph	Type of graph that shows both temperature and rainfall through a typical year.
Continental climate	When climate conditions are affected by large areas of land.
Corruption	Not working within the rules. Cheating others for your own/your friends benefit.
Economy	The way that money is made, moved and distributed.
Fossil fuels	Fuels made from ancient living things. Coal, oil and gas.
Hemisphere	Half of the globe e.g. northern hemisphere is the northern half.
Latitude	Lines parallel to the Equator that tell us how far north or south we are.
Longitude	Lines that tells us how far East or West we are.
Migration	Moving from one place to another to live.
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organisation-formed in 1949. Militaries that help each other if Russia invades.
Permafrost	Permanently frozen ground.
Physical Landscape	Natural features such as mountains, plains, rivers and forests.
Population Density	How closely together people live.
Population pyramid	A back to back bar chart that shows numbers of males and females in different age groups.
Primary sector	Jobs that involves extracting raw materials
Quaternary sector	Jobs that are hi tech, often involving research.
Secondary sector	Jobs that involve manufacturing products.
Social	To do with people's lives.
Sparse	When a population is spread out
Steppe	Grassland ecosystem
Taiga	Coniferous forest found in Russia
Tertiary sector	Jobs that involve providing a service.
Tundra	Ecosystem found along the edges of the Arctic Ocean
USSR	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics- group of 15 Communist countries. Ended in 1991.
Vegetation	Plants