

# Looking at Europe

## Europe

Europe is the continent we live in.

It is split into lots of different countries.

Part of the country of Russia is in Europe, and part of it is in Asia.



## 3 Regions in Europe

- **The Peak District (UK)** – This is an area of hills in the counties of Derbyshire, Cheshire, Staffordshire, Yorkshire and Greater Manchester, North central England.
- **Graian Region (The Alps)** – The Alps is a large mountain range in Europe, which stretches across lots of countries. The Graian Region is a region within the Alps. It is spread across parts of France, Italy & Switzerland.
- **Amalfi Coast (Italy)** – This is coastal region along the southwest of Italy. It has many beaches and some mountains in land.

## Tourism

A tourist is someone who visits a place for leisure (for fun!). Whenever we go on holiday – inside or outside of the UK – we are tourists.

Tourism is the business of encouraging tourists to come to a place, and to help them enjoy themselves when they arrive.

## Social, economic, and environmental impacts



social

describing an impact on the lives of people

- Tourists may not always behave and upset the local population.
- Local traditions keep going and can be shared with tourists from across the world.



economic

an impact that relates to money in the area

- Tourism creates jobs in an area, in places like restaurants, tour companies and activity centres.
- The cost of homes and activities in the area may rise and be too expensive for local people.



environmental

describing an impact on the local environment

Tourism can have social, economic and environmental impacts on an area. For example:

- Tourists may bring extra traffic and pollution and they may drop litter.
- Wildlife and the environment may be damaged by the activity of tourists.