Earth’s Land and Water

**Landforms and Continents**
Hills, mountains, plains, and plateaus are landforms. Landforms are found on every continent on Earth. The seven continents are Africa, Antarctica, Asia, Australia, Europe, North America, and South America.

**Living on Land and Water**
The study of Earth’s continents, landforms, and bodies of water is geography. Bodies of water include oceans, seas, gulfs, lakes, and rivers. Oceans cover most of Earth. Geographic features affect where people live. Many valleys and plains have good land for farming. Some people live near bodies of water. They use water for travel, drinking, and growing crops.

**Weather and Climate**
Climate is the weather of a place over time. Landforms and bodies of water affect climate. People use clothing and shelter to adapt to different climates. Climate also affects where plants grow and where animals live.

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Find and underline a form of each vocabulary word.

**landform** noun, a shape or feature on the Earth’s surface

**continent** noun, a large area of land

**geography** noun, the study of people, places, and Earth

**climate** noun, the weather of a place over a long period of time

**adapt** verb, to change to fit a new place or event

What are the names of the seven continents? Highlight the sentence that tells the answer.

How do people adapt to different climates? Circle the sentence that tells the answer.

**SKILL** Reading Charts
Are plains landforms or bodies of water? Circle the correct heading in the chart.