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# Geography H/W booklet – Weather Hazards



## Section 1 - Atmospheric Circulation

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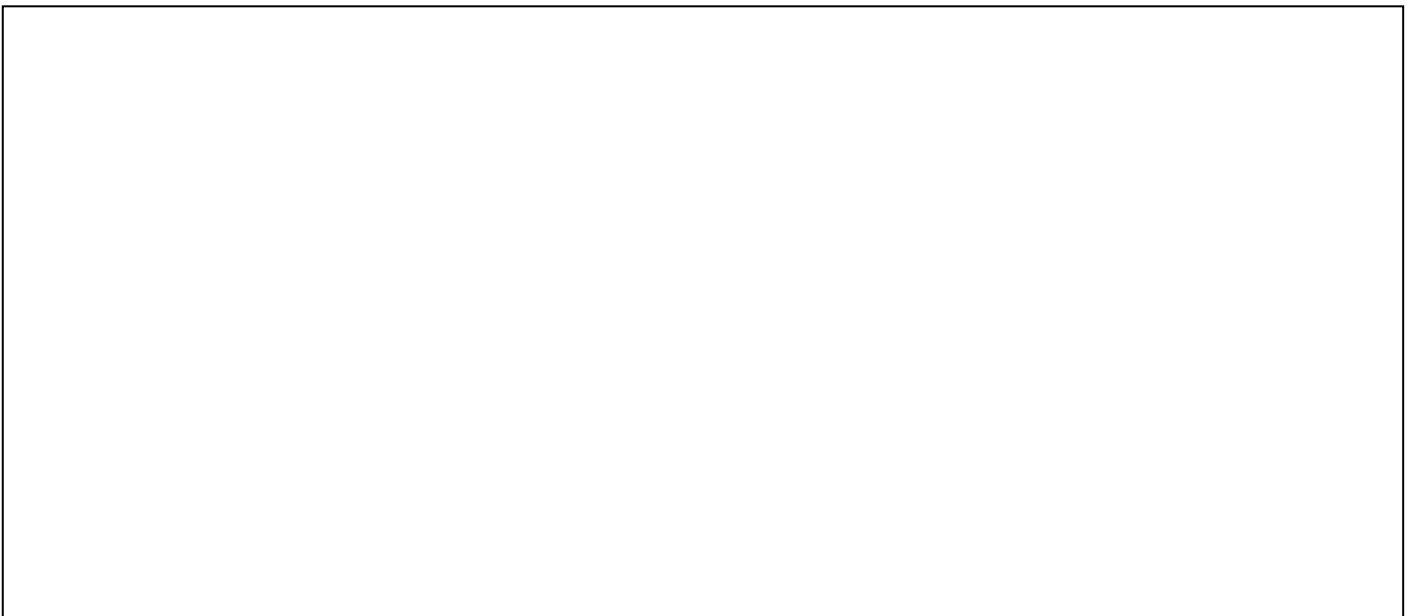
**Fill in this paragraph:**

The earth has a general atmospheric circulation pattern. The equator is an area of \_\_\_\_\_ The poles are areas of \_\_\_\_\_. At the equator \_\_\_\_\_ because it is \_\_\_\_\_ and moves towards the poles. At about 30 degrees North and South of the equator the air \_\_\_\_\_ and flows back to the tropics this is the \_\_\_\_\_ cell. This pattern repeats 2 more times and these are the \_\_\_\_\_ cell and the \_\_\_\_\_ cell. This creates the conditions for tropical storms to form.

low pressure      warm air rises      hot      Polar      high pressure

Ferrell      air descends and cools      Hadley

**Draw your own diagram of atmospheric circulation in the box on the next page. Make sure you have the labels from the word fill paragraph.**



Put the formation of a tropical storm in order.

<b>Cold air sinks in the eye</b> , therefore there is <b>no cloud</b> , so it is <b>drier</b> and much <b>calmer</b>	
The <b>tropical storm travels across the ocean</b> in the prevailing wind.	
<b>The Coriolis effect causes the air to spin upwards</b> around a calm central eye of the storm.	
<b>As the air rises, it cools and condenses to form large, towering cumulonimbus clouds</b> , which generate very <b>heavy rainfall</b> . <b>The heat given off when the air cools powers the tropical storm.</b>	
When the <b>tropical storm meets land</b> it is no longer fuelled by the source of moisture and heat from the ocean so <b>it loses power and weakens</b> .	
The rising air draws up more air and large volumes of moisture from the ocean, causing strong winds.	
<b>Air is heated above the surface of warm tropical oceans</b> . The warm air rises very rapidly under low pressure conditions	

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Atmospheric    \_\_\_\_\_                      \_\_\_\_\_  
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Hadley                      \_\_\_\_\_                      \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Ferrell                      \_\_\_\_\_                      \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Condenses \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Circulation \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Section 2 – Tropical Storms

### **Circle the correct answer:**

Can tropical storms form on the equator? YES/NO

What temperature does the sea need to be for a tropical storm to form? 23 degrees/ 37 degrees / 27 degrees

How deep does the sea need to be for a tropical storm to form? 5-30m/ 60-70m / 100-150m

### **Match up these key terms to their definition.**

The rotation of the Earth. Causes winds to shift towards the right or left.

Hurricanes

the way something is spread out or arranged over a geographic area, e.g on a map

Global Atmospheric Circulation

a difference in wind speed and direction in the atmosphere, needs to be low for TS formation

Typhoon

Name of a tropical storm in the Atlantic Ocean

Cyclones

Name of a tropical storm in the Pacific Ocean

Wind shear

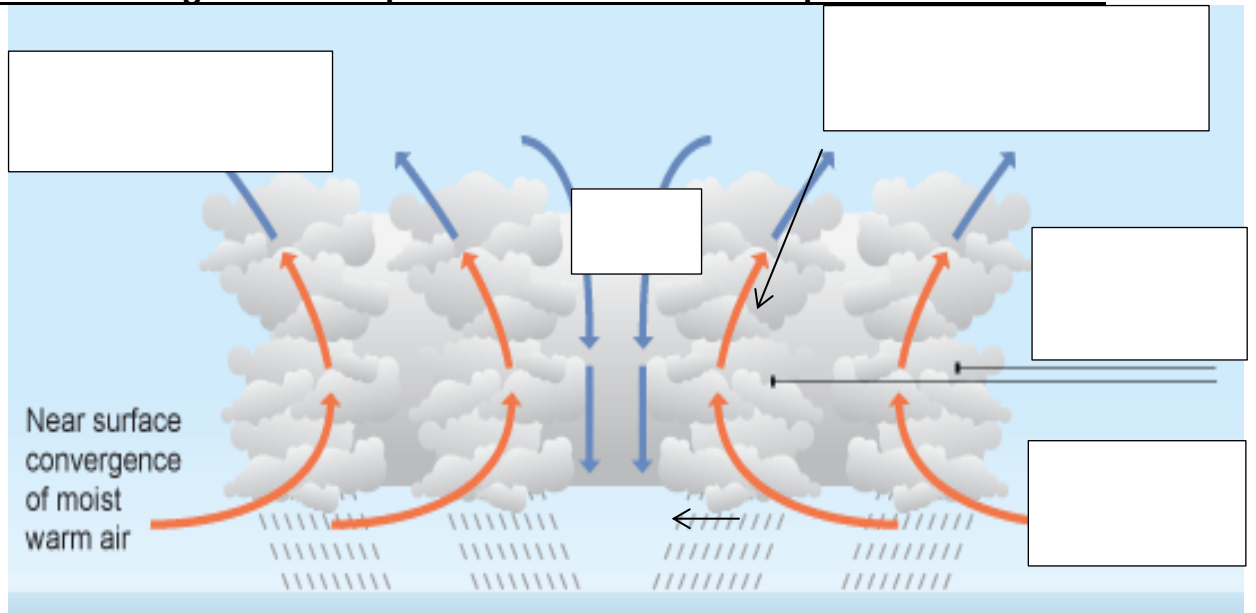
The worldwide system of winds, which transports heat from tropical to polar latitude

Coriolis effect

Name of a tropical storm in the Indian Ocean

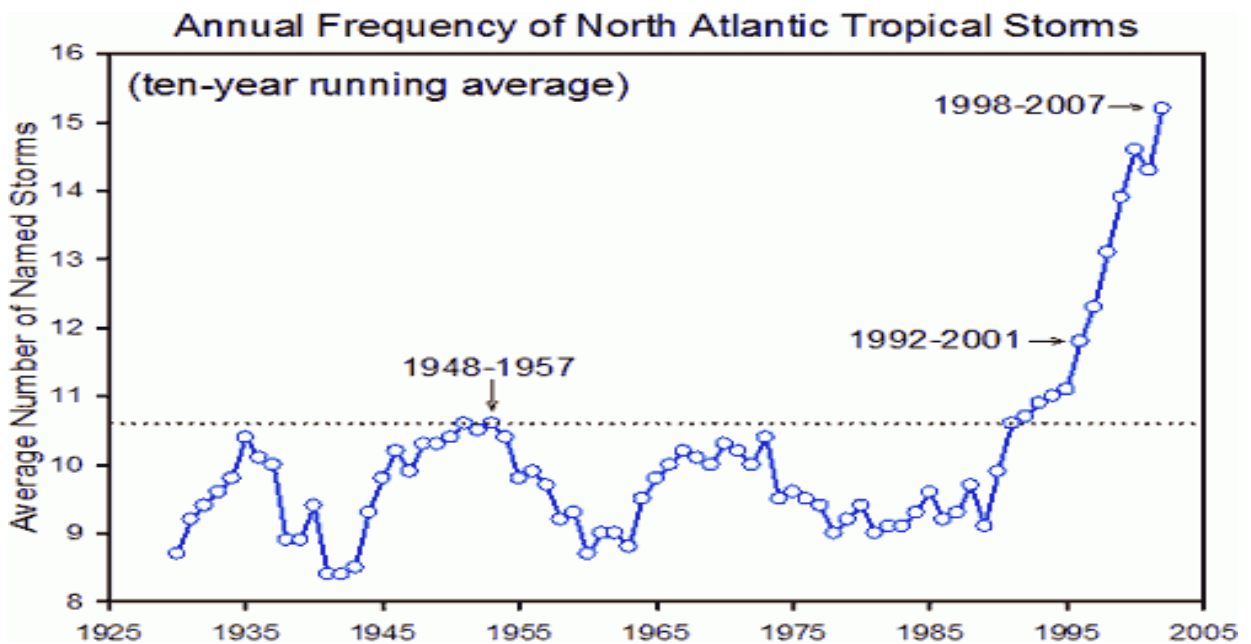
Distribution

**Label the diagram of a tropical storm with the labels provided in the box**



Spiral band of thunderstorms / eye / diverging airflow in upper atmosphere / warm air rising / heavy rainfall

**Describe the trend of the number of hurricanes in the North Atlantic Ocean using the graph below:**



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**Section 3 – Prediction, Preparation and Protection**

**Colour/Code each of these a Prediction, Preparation or Protection technique:**

using satellites  
kits

preparing disaster supply

specially equipped aircraft

reinforce garage doors

installing hurricane straps on houses  
windborne objects

tie down

using supercomputers to estimate where the tropical storm  
will hit

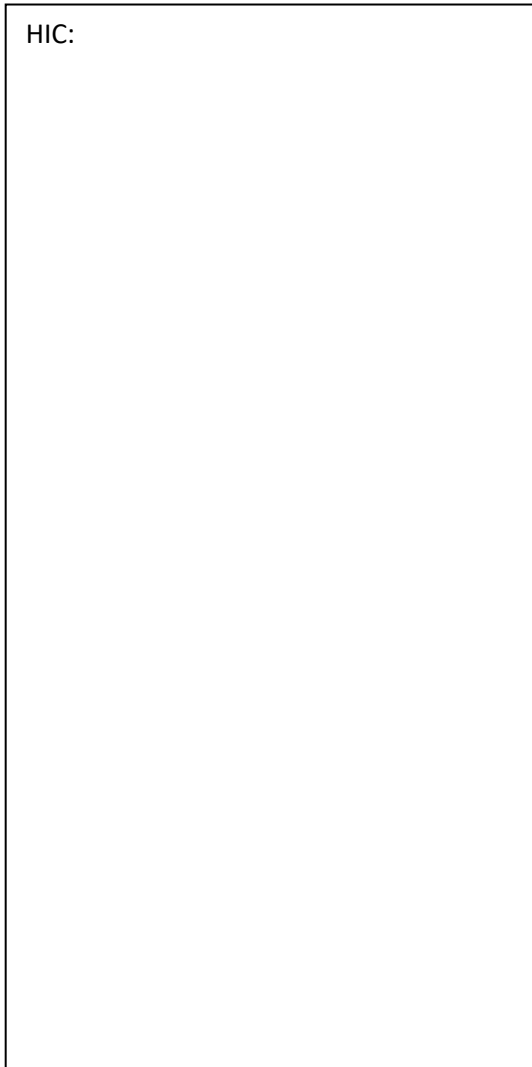
installing an emergency shelter  
buildings

remove trees close to

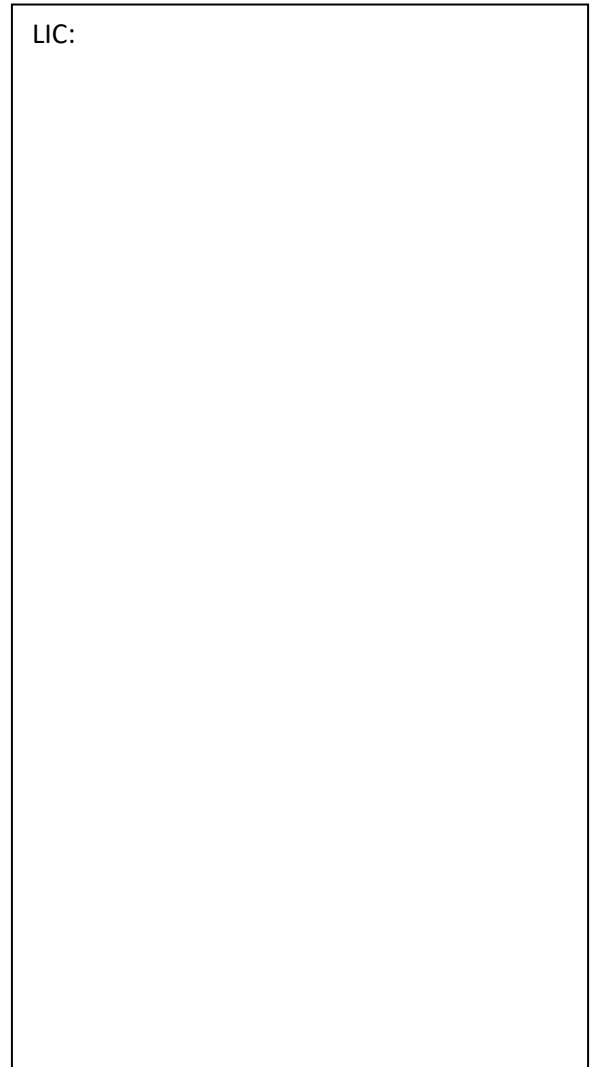
knowing where the evacuation shelters are

**Put 3 of the above techniques into the HIC and 3 in the LIC boxes below**  
**– what are they capable of doing? Think about how much money it will**  
**cost or the technology involved**

HIC:



LIC:



**Fill in the paragraph below about HIC and LIC PPP for a tropical storm:**

Preparation and prediction techniques can be very different in HICs and LICs.

**HICs** have the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to predict and monitor the occurrence of storms, eg using \_\_\_\_\_ and specially equipped \_\_\_\_\_. They can also \_\_\_\_\_ for tropical storms as they are also equipped to train the \_\_\_\_\_ appropriately and to \_\_\_\_\_ people about necessary precautions.

Storm \_\_\_\_\_ can be issued to enable the population to \_\_\_\_\_ or prepare themselves for the storm. People can prepare by storing food and water or boarding up their windows.

**LICs** are often less prepared. They may rely on \_\_\_\_\_ from **HICs** for the rescue and recovery process, as was the case with \_\_\_\_\_ in the Philippines.

**EMERGENCY SERVICES                      TYPHOON HAIYAN      TECHNOLOGY**  
**RESOURCES    AID                      SATELITES      WARNINGS      AIRCRAFT**  
**EDUCATE                      EVACUATE      PREPARE**



**Draw an annotated picture of a house in the box below with all the ways you can protect/prepare yourself from hazards of a tropical storm (use the previous sorting activity for ideas)**



## Section 4 – Typhoon Haiyan



**Use the figure above to *describe and explain* the track and intensity of Typhoon Haiyan:**

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Phillipines    \_\_\_\_\_                      \_\_\_\_\_                      \_\_\_\_\_

Haiyan        \_\_\_\_\_                      \_\_\_\_\_                      \_\_\_\_\_

Environmental \_\_\_\_\_                      \_\_\_\_\_                      \_\_\_\_\_

Economic    \_\_\_\_\_                      \_\_\_\_\_                      \_\_\_\_\_

Social        \_\_\_\_\_                      \_\_\_\_\_                      \_\_\_\_\_

Typhoon     \_\_\_\_\_                      \_\_\_\_\_                      \_\_\_\_\_

**Label all the Social/ Economic and Environmental Impacts that you can see in these 2 photos:**





**Section 5 – How does Global Warming affect Tropical Storms?**

N B N L L D D K M Y O S N Q W  
 J O M M G V P E T H H E N K S  
 X D I O W B H I P H G G L D V  
 J B P T T Z S M V D B R Y S S  
 S B K T U N M G K G T U Q F J  
 D C X G E B U P K V B S W O D  
 J Y R T P K I Q L A I M P S G  
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 J G S Z G R G A O R V D Y C P  
 G N I M R A W L A B O L G T E  
 L L U W L Q A V O L H C X M L  
 K E I A F B U L V V Y Z S C S

**Find and Circle these words  
in the word search:**

DISTRIBUTION

FREQUENCY

GLOBALWARMING

INTENSITY

STORMSURGES

**Match these key terms to their definition:**

When a storm creates strong waves and a rise in sea level,

The rate (how often) of which something happens over a

The measurable amount of force e.g Saffir Simpson Scale

a gradual increase in the overall temperature of the earth's atmosphere due to the greenhouse effect caused by

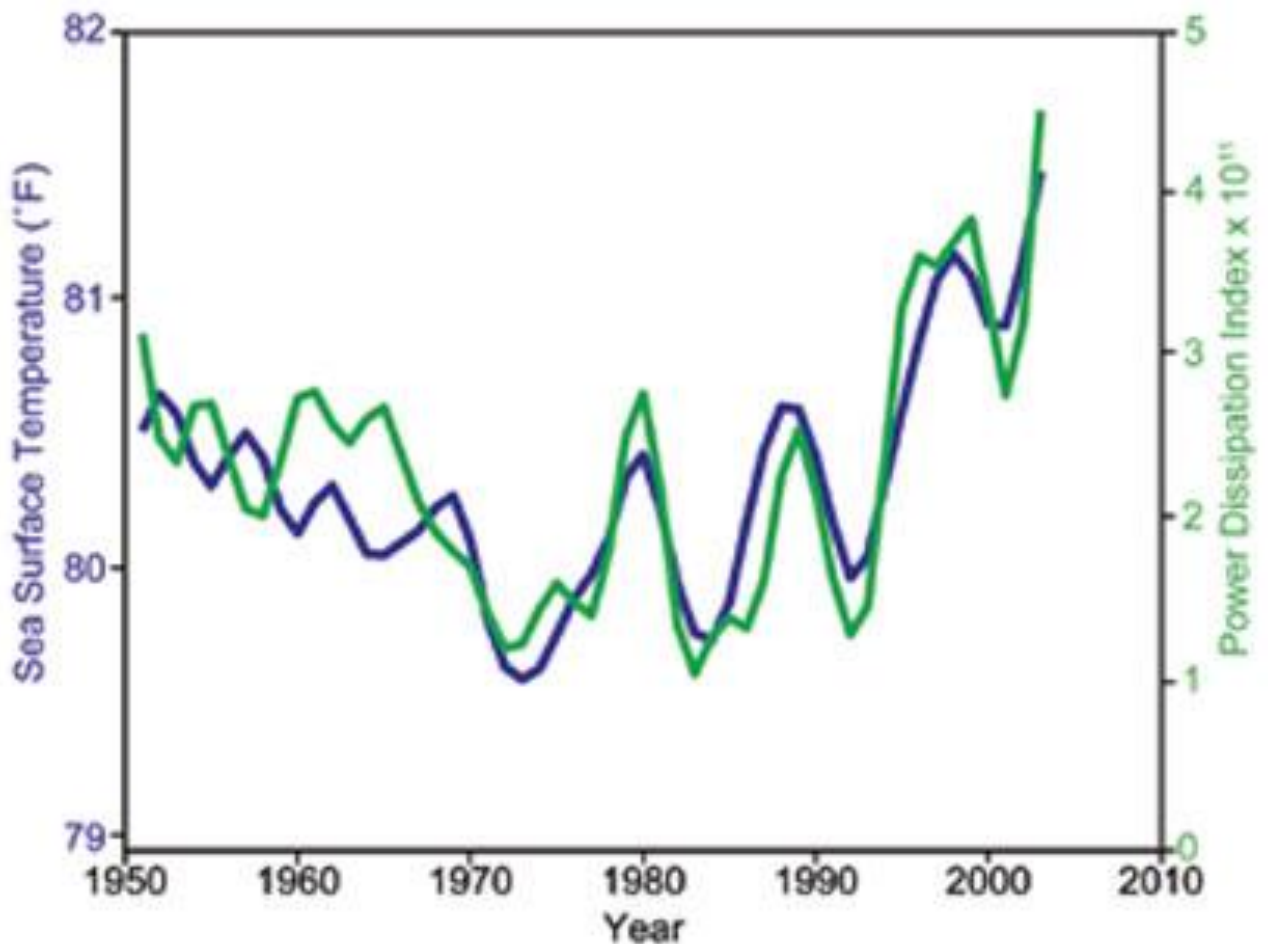
Global Warming

Storm Surge

Frequency

Intensity

**Use the figure below to complete the sentences on the next page:**



There is a relationship between sea surface temperature and power of tropical storms. When sea surface temperature is high, the power (intensity) of tropical storms is \_\_\_\_\_. Over the past 60 years there has been an overall \_\_\_\_\_ in the intensity of tropical storms.

**Circle True or False for each statement:**

Storm surges will become higher due to thermal expansion of the sea **T/F**

Tropical storms are expected to become less intense **T/F**

The overall frequency is expected to increase **T/F**

The frequency of more severe tropical storms will increase **T/F**

Predicting the impact of tropical storms is difficult as scientists do not have very accurate data yet. **T/F**

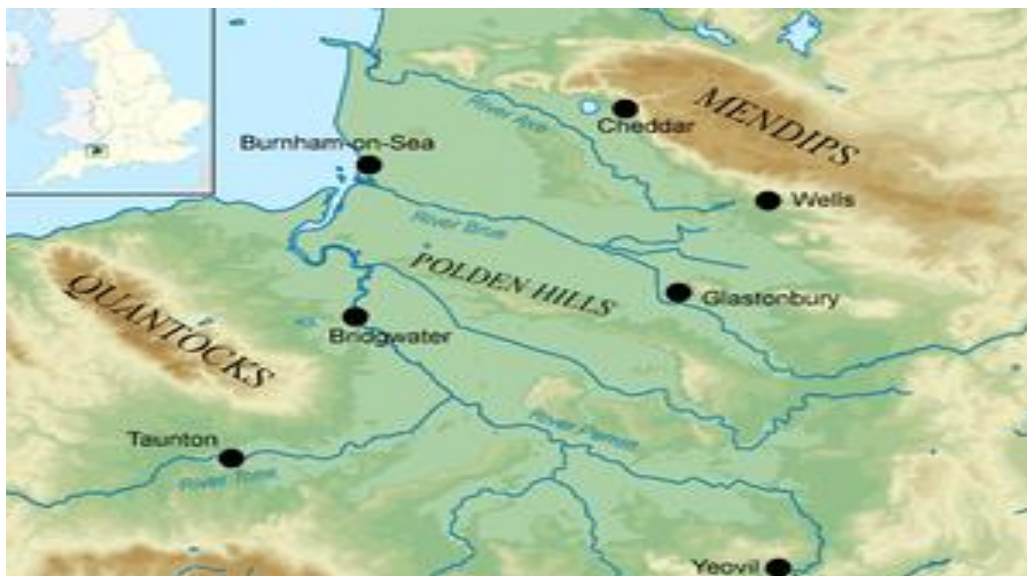
The regions where tropical storms are experienced are not expected to change significantly **T/F**

## Section 6 – UK Weather Hazards

<u>Statement</u>	<u>Cause? Impact? Response</u>
Using boats to go about their lives	
Somerset Council have increased the capacity of the river channel	
The wettest January since records began. Bad weather from across the Atlantic Ocean brought a period of wet weather lasting several weeks	
Over 600 houses flooded	
Villages cut off from each other	
River banks are being raised and strengthened and more pumping stations being built	
Floodwaters were contaminated with sewage	
Lots of agricultural land was underwater for weeks	
Road levels are being raised to maintain communication and business during future flood events	
The cost of the flood was more than £10 million	
High tides and storm surges swept water up the river and over the banks from the sea	
Vulnerable areas will have flood defences built	
Many people had power supplies cut off	

**Label each statement a cause, impact or response of the Somerset Level  
Floods in 2014:**

**Sort the Impacts in your table into Social, Economic and Environmental  
using 3 different colours.**



**Where the flooding happened. Using this map why do you think this area would  
be prone to flooding? (Hint, what are the blue lines? What are the brown areas?)**



**Fill in this paragraph using the words below:**

The UK is at a meeting point of several different types of weather from different directions. From the North, \_\_\_\_\_ air can bring \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. A severe winter came come from the East. \_\_\_\_\_ from the Atlantic bring in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. From Europe in the \_\_\_\_\_ hot and sunny weather can lead to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

very cold conditions/heavy rain/south/ strong winds/ heat waves/heavy snow/droughts/storms/ Arctic