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 **Handout 7a:** **Activating prior learning in geography**

Can you remember all the vocabulary and place names below from geography work in primary school?

**Task 1.** (In groups) Take the heading **British Isles**. Select all of the place names and geographical terms that are relevant to this heading. Remember you have to have a reason to support your decisions. Next change the heading and decide which words you should now take out and which ones you add in. Do the same for all the headings.

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| 1. UK | 2. Europe | 3. Africa | 4. Asia |
| 5. The World | 6. Climate | 7. Landscape and forms |  |

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| the Tropics | River Nile | volcanoes | Kenya |
| the Sahara | Egypt | drought | hospitals |
| rivers | earthquake | erosion | health |
| Europe | Tokyo | flooding | London |
| Mississippi | religion | poverty | tourism |
| nuclear power | India | less developed | Cambrian Mountains |
| Scotland | farming | hot climate | migration |
| Equator | oil | Sao Paulo | Italy |
| France | wet climate | River Rhine | air pollution |
| coastline | flood plain | developed | environment |

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