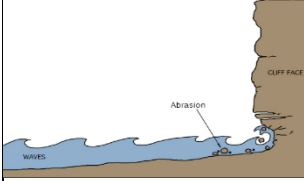

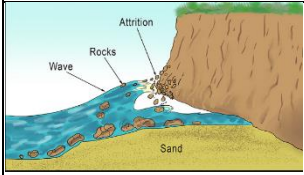






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	Word	Definition
	abrasion	When waves throw pebbles at the cliffs.
	arch	A coastal feature formed when waves erode through a headland.
	attrition	When pebbles hit each other in the waves.
	backwash	The water that rolls back down a beach after a wave has broken.
	bay	A wide, curved inlet of a sea or lake.
	beach	An area of sand or pebbles along a coast.
	cave	A hollow in a cliff formed by wave action enlarging a crack in the cliff.

	cliff	A steep rocky slope that may overlook the sea.
	coastline	This is where the land meets the sea.
	current	The flow of water in a certain direction.
	deposition landforms	Landscape features made up of material that has been laid down.
	erosion landforms	Landscape features resulting from the wearing away of rock.
	groyne	A wall built into the sea from the seashore to create a beach by trapping sand carried by longshore drift.
	harbour	A harbour is an area of the sea at the coast which is partly enclosed by land or strong walls, so that boats can be left there safely.
	headland	A part of the coastline that juts out into the sea and usually ends in a cliff.



landslide

The downward sliding of a large mass of earth and rock



port

A port is a docking place for ships on the coast of the ocean, a river, or a lake. Ships dock at ports to load and unload their cargo and passengers.



salt marsh

Low coastal grassland that is frequently overflowed by the tide.



sea defences

The features added to a coast to protect it from erosion and flooding.



sea wall

An embankment to prevent erosion of a shoreline.



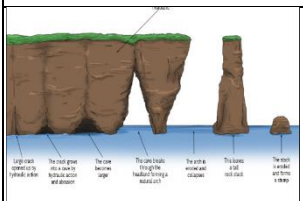
spit

A long narrow accumulation of sand and shingle that grows out from the coastline



stack

A detached pillar of rock on a sea coast separated from the mainland by erosion.



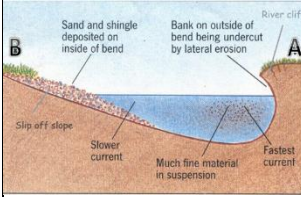
stump

A short stack formed after erosion shortens the stack.



swash

The waves washing up the beach.



undercutting

To create an overhang by cutting material away from a cliff.



waves

Waves are formed when wind blows over the sea.