## Mountains KS2 Knowledge Mat

Sub	ject Specific Vocabulary
peak/summit	The highest point of any mountain.
valley	A valley is a long depression, or ditch, in the Earth's surface and usually lies between ranges of hills or mountains.
ridge	A ridge is part of the steep, sloping side of a mountain.
plateau	A plateau is an area of flat ground that is much higher than the surrounding area.
dam	A barrier constructed to hold back water and raise its level forming a reservoir
reservoir	A large natural or artificial lake used to generate electricity or as a water supply.
hill	A hill is a landform that is high but not high enough to be a mountain.
hydroelectr ic power	The generation of electricity using flowing water to drive a turbine which powers a generator.
	A mountain range or chain of mounta are close together
plates	The Earth's outer made up of large, moving







## Sticky Knowledge about mountains

- ☐ Mount Everest is the world highest mountain and it is 8,850m high.
- ☐ Europe's highest mountain is Mount Elbrus in Russia.
- ☐ Mountains make up one-fifth of the world's landscape.
- ☐ There are mountains under the surface of the sea (Mauna Kea is a volcanic mountain) and on other planets (Mount Olympus is on Mars).
- ☐ The highest 14 mountains in the world are all found in the Himalayas.
- ☐ Generally mountains are higher



