

Tasks

Bronze - Design a settlement for a group of 20 vegetarians, including 6 small children OR for a tribe of 50 dairy farmers, who are ski enthusiasts. What would their needs be? Identify the site, aspect and resource requirements as well as links to other places.

A settlement for _____

Site

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Resources

Aspect

Links

Silver - Every year, many people flee their homes as refugees to seek a safer life in another place. Find out where refugees are travelling from, and where they are travelling to. What do they need in their new home, how are these needs met and by whom? Choose how you present your research.

Here are some helpful websites to get you started:

- [refugee - Kids | Britannica Kids | Homework Help](#)
- [What Is a Refugee? Important Facts and Figures About Refugees | Save the Children](#)
- [Young Refugees & Migrants | The Children's Society](#)
- [Living as a refugee - KS2 Geography - BBC Bitesize](#)
- [World Refugee Day 2019: What is a refugee? - CBBC Newsround](#)

Hamam's Story



Hamam at the Kara Tepe refugee camp.
Photo ActionAid

Hamam is 10-years-old and is from Iraq. His hometown has been severely damaged by war. This war has lasted several years and it's no longer safe for the people who live there, especially for children.

Hamam's family, including his one-year-old baby sister, managed to escape Iraq. But they then had to face a long, hazardous boat voyage.

Hamam said: **"I was really scared going into the boat. It was our first time ever going onto the sea. The boat was filling up with water."**

Worried and afraid, cold and tired, Hamam's mother offered to take them back home. They were faced with a choice to either return to a country at war or to take this perilous boat journey.

Hamam remained brave: neither the sea nor his fear could change his mind.

"My mum tried to comfort me. She said: 'Don't be scared, we will go back. But I said: 'No, mum, I don't want us to go back'."

Hamam and his family made it across safely and are now staying in Kara Tepe refugee camp on the Greek island of Lesbos. Hamam's mother, Hanaa, spoke about how relieved she is to see her son enjoying life again:



Hanaa and other Iraqi children at the Kara Tepe refugee camp.
Photo George Meikias/Fanco Pictures/ActionAid

"In Iraq, even when the children play, they play at war because their childhood is filled with nothing but war", she says.

Happily, Hamam and his family are now safe. He is enjoying playing with other children his age and is ready to start a new life with his family.

ISRAA'S STORY

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Israa is 13 and is originally from Syria

"We couldn't bring anything with us, just one change of clothes and one pair of shoes each. We left everything else behind. Mum says everything we left is gone forever."

Israa is 13-years-old and is from Syria. She lives with her mum, dad and five younger brothers and sisters.

Israa and her family were forced to flee Syria in March 2011 after the civil war started there. It was too dangerous for them to stay. Israa says:

"Before the war started we spent our time playing outside the house but after it started we had to stay in all the time."

Despite everything, Israa still hopes to return to Syria in the future:

"When we return to Syria, we will live in a tent while we rebuild our house. We lost our house but we have our lives."



Syria: Country fast facts

Full name: Syrian Arab Republic
Capital: Damascus
National symbol: Hawk
Population: 22.5 million (2013 estimate)
Official language: Arabic
Money: 1 Syrian pound = 100 piasters
Life expectancy: men = 74 years, women = 78 years
Climate: Hot, dry summers and mild, rainy winters

(source: <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/>)



Israa helps her family by doing things like collecting water and doing the washing. She also draws and loves to read with her family.



Israa has five younger brothers and sisters. Before the war they lived normal lives, but when the fighting started, everything changed.

Gold - Not all settlements are the same... living in a city is very different to living in a rural hamlet. Investigate the benefits and disadvantages of living in different

settlements - where would you prefer to live and why? Draw a table or spider diagram to record your research in. Then write a couple of sentences to say where you would prefer to live and why.

Here are some useful websites to get you started:

- [Settlements - BBC Bitesize](#)
- [Geography KS1/KS2: Cities, towns and villages - BBC Teach](#)
- [KS2 Geography - HUMAN GEOGRAPHY - 3c Settlement Studies - The Schools of King Edward VI in Birmingham](#)
- [Learning all about the geography topic of settlements \(3dgeography.co.uk\)](#)