

The Oceans of the World

Chapter 2: Oceans and Continents · Topic 2

Key Concept

The Pacific Ocean is the largest and deepest ocean, covering more area than all the continents combined, located between Asia, the Americas, and Australia.

The Atlantic Ocean is the second-largest, separating the Americas from Europe and Africa, and is important for global trade and shipping routes.

The Indian Ocean, bordering India's south, is the third-largest ocean, important for trade routes connecting Asia, Africa, and the Middle East.

The Southern Ocean surrounds Antarctica, and the Arctic Ocean, the smallest and coldest, is located at the North Pole, often covered with ice.

Quick Revision Notes

- There are five major oceans: Pacific, Atlantic, Indian, Southern, Arctic.
- The Pacific Ocean is the largest and deepest.
- The Atlantic Ocean separates the Americas from Europe and Africa.
- The Indian Ocean is the third-largest, bordering India.
- The Indian Ocean connects Asia, Africa and the Middle East.
- The Southern Ocean surrounds Antarctica.
- The Arctic Ocean is the smallest and coldest.
- The Arctic Ocean is often covered with ice.

Practice Questions

- 1 Locate the five oceans on a world map.
- 2 Research one fact about the Pacific Ocean.
- 3 Discuss why the Indian Ocean is important for India's trade.
- 4 Compare the Arctic and Southern Oceans.
- 5 Find which ocean is closest to your country.
- 6 Draw a world map labelling the five oceans.