

# climate

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**climate**  
the weather over time

*Would you like to live in a warm climate?*

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# landform

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**landform**  
feature of the Earth's surface

*Mountains are a type of landform.*

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# elevation

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**elevation**  
height above sea level

*The mountains in Western Maryland have a high elevation.*

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# wetland

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**wetland**  
land that is covered by water part of the year

*The wetlands in Maryland are in the Atlantic Coastal Plain.*

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# region

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**region**  
an area of land that has one or more features in common

*Maryland can be divided into three regions- The Appalachian Highlands, The Piedmont Plateau, and the Atlantic Coastal Plain.*

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# legend

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## legend

explanation of symbols, often used on a map

*The legend on the map explains the symbols.*

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# compass rose

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## compass rose

a circle on a map or chart showing direction

*A circular compass rose shows direction on a map.*

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# map scale

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## map scale

a part of a map that compares distance on the map to distance in the real world

*Use the map scale to find the distance between Baltimore and Annapolis.*

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# prehistoric

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## prehistoric

people and things that existed before writing was invented

*Scientists study artifacts to learn how prehistoric people in Maryland lived.*

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# artifact

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## artifact

an object made by humans, often from the past

*Scientists discovered artifacts in Maryland such as spears, fish hooks, and ax handles.*

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# natural resource

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**natural resource**  
anything people can use which comes from nature

*Native Americans in Maryland used natural resources from the Chesapeake Bay.*

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# trade

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**trade**  
to exchange goods or services

*Woodland people in Maryland traded goods such as pottery for other goods such as beads.*

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# barter

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**barter**  
trade for something without using money

*Native Americans in Maryland did not use money; instead they bartered, or traded goods, with other people.*

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# culture

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**culture**  
a way of life shared by a group of people

*People who share a culture often share ideas, languages, art, and customs.*

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# custom

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**custom**  
habit or practice of a person, area or place

*It is his custom to rise early every day.*

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# longhouse

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## longhouse

wide, single-room, Native communal dwelling

*Native peoples lived in a communal longhouse.*

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# line of latitude

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## line of latitude

imaginary lines that run east and west on a map

*What line of latitude is closest to Baltimore?*

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# line of longitude

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## line of longitude

imaginary lines that run north and south on a map

*Find the line of longitude that is near Annapolis.*

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