

# Geography in the News

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### Why has the COP29 \$300bn climate finance agreement been criticised?

Geography in the News aims to stimulate discussion about the relevance of geography to our lives and its importance in helping us to make sense of the world around us. We have selected a relevant news article with links to our GCSE Geography A and B specifications, and suggested questions that you can discuss with your class.



Article: This issue relates to the BBC article 'Huge COP29 climate deal too little too late, poorer nations say', written by climate reporters Georgina Rannard and Esme Stallard.

#### Introduction

This article explores the outcomes of the UN COP29 climate summit and critical arguments raised by some countries and groups.

#### [Click here to access the article](#)

##### Discussion prompts

- Describe the agreement reached at COP29.
- Explain why the agreement will help poorer countries manage climate change.
- Explain why some countries believe the agreement is insufficient.
- Explain why it is difficult to reach agreements on reducing climate change that are acceptable to all countries.

##### Specification links:

###### GCSE A

- 2.3 Global climate is now changing as a result of human activity

###### GCSE B

- 1.3 Global climate is now changing as a result of human activity, and there is uncertainty about future climates