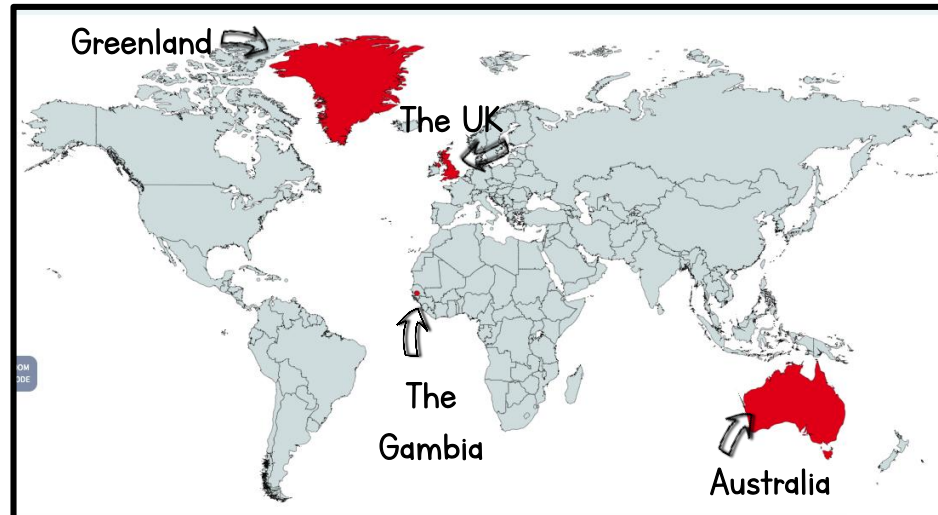


## Key Vocabulary

<b>Dry season</b>	In the tropics this is the months of the year when there is naturally not much rain.
<b>Wet season</b>	In the tropics this is the months of the year when there is naturally a lot of rain.
<b>Drought</b>	A longer than normal period of time with very little or no rain.
<b>Crop</b>	The plants grown on a farm.
<b>Desertification</b>	This happens when land on which plants can grow becomes a desert.
<b>Insurance</b>	When you buy insurance for your house you get money if it is damaged by accident.
<b>Flood defence</b>	A strong structure to stop big waves or rivers flooding an area.
<b>Climate change</b>	The changes to global climate caused by an increase of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.
<b>Greenhouse gas</b>	These cause global warming. Carbon dioxide is a type of greenhouse gas; it is released when fossil fuels are burned.



# How is climate change affecting the world?



In 2015, the governments of 200 countries agreed to reduce carbon dioxide to try to stop global warming.



Climate change affects the lives of ordinary people.

Climate change is making some parts of the world hotter and drier. This can cause droughts, heatwaves and fires.



Climate change is making some parts of the world stormier and this can cause flooding.



Climate change is warming the polar regions more than other parts of the world and causing ice sheets and glaciers to melt.



The Gambia, Australia, the UK and Greenland are all in different regions of the world, so have different climates.



Global warming is caused by too much carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.

