

The Challenge and Change of Travel and Tourism: Environmental Challenges Checklist

1. Impact: Human vs. Natural

- a. Select any two situations below
 - i. one from the human category and one from the natural category
- b. Compare and contrast (that is to find the similarities and differences between the two situations) the impact that they have had on both tourism and the tourist sites that they address. While you may choose any format you wish, a Venn diagram might be a good place to start.

Human

- China - Smog pollution
- Mount Everest - Trash left by climbers
- South Pacific - Sea level rising due to climate change
- Ontario's Great Lakes - High bacteria levels in the water
- Coral Reefs - Decreasing biodiversity due to climate change
- Machu Picchu Peru - Impacts of the high number of visitors
- Any other topic approved by your teacher

Natural

- Any recent natural disaster that has impacted a tourist destination in the same location as your human element (earthquake, flood, drought, tornado, hurricane, typhoon, etc.)
- c. Beginning with the Venn diagram (or another graphic organizer of your choice), identify and explain at least **four** similarities and **four** differences between the two events. This will require some research, so be sure to include the URLs that you used in your final product.
 - d. Then, in one well-constructed paragraph, indicate which activity has the most prominent or severe impact. Do human activities or natural disasters cause more damage to tourist destinations? Explain your choice. Use the concepts of geographic thinking to help make deeper connections.
 - e. View the rubric for this assignment.
 - f. Submit your assessment to your teacher.