

Graphic Organizer for Internet Research

These worksheets will help you organize your notes on Ghana so that you can find out how life in Ghana, especially northern Ghana, is affected by the climate. There are primarily two seasons in northern and central Ghana—the rainy season and the dry season. These seasons are quite different from the ones we have in North America. The photos and stories listed below are good examples of how Ghana’s climate affects the people who live there.

How to Use the Graphic Organizer

As you look at each photo and read each story, decide if it describes conditions in the rainy season, dry season, or all year long and find the appropriate page of the graphic organizer. Then decide if the photo or story tells something about plants and animals, people, or the environment (land, water, air). In the box under the correct heading write a note that tells what you learned from the photo or story. In the “source” column of the same row of the organizer write the photo number or the story title and author. You can use initials to abbreviate the title and author. A sample entry is given below.

All Year

Source	Plants and Animals	People	Environment
GH0101		Sasha Bennett is conserving water by washing clothes in buckets that are half full.	

Requirements

- Look at all the photos and stories, and use the photos and stories you think are the most useful.
- At least one note should be on water conservation, saving water to use later.
- You will need at least four notes for the rainy season and four for the dry season to complete your projects.
- Your notes should include all three categories (plants and animals, people, and the environment) for the rainy season and the dry season.
- You must have notes from both photos and stories, and from both websites.
- Your notes should include two features of climate in Ghana (from the five features of climate).
- You may use the same photo or story for more than one note.
- You may also look at the other photos and stories on the Web site for Ghana.

Internet Addresses (URLs)

The Peace Gallery at www.peacegallery.org

Peace Corps’ *Water in Africa* website: www.peacecorps.gov/wws/educators/enrichment/africa/index.html

Ghana Photos

GH0106, GH0107, GH0202, GH0203, GH0209, GH0210, GH0213, GH0308, GH0328, GH0402, GH0412, GH0418

Ghana Stories

Conservation: Sasha Bennett, Michael Nelson
Daily Usage: Molly Campbell, Michael Nelson
Managing Water: Molly Campbell
Other Stories: Molly Campbell, Michael Nelson

Recreation:

The Environment and Agriculture:
The Source of Your Water:
Transportation:
Water and Culture:

Michael Nelson
 Sasha Bennett, Steve Tester
 Molly Campbell, Michael Nelson
 Michael Nelson
 Sasha Bennett, Michael Nelson

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Rainy Season			
Source	Plants and Animals	People	Environment

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Dry Season			
Source	Plants and Animals	People	Environment

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