

HILLS



A hill is a landform that rises above the surrounding area.

The difference between a hill and a mountain is not always clear. However, a mountain is considered to be higher and steeper. It is easy to climb a hill but it is not that easy to climb a mountain.

Mounds are smaller hills.



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Natural hills are formed all the time. A mountain may become a hill after many years . Wind and water worn it down and make it smaller and smaller.

People have always built towns and villages on hills .

In the past they preferred building a village on a hill because its height made it easy to defend from enemies.

Today we still build towns on hills but because we want to avoid possible floods.

People often use hills areas for farming sheep, goats and cows because hills are lush with deep, thick grass. Places covered with grass used for grazing are called pastures.



farming sheep



pasture