

## IMPORTANT GEOGRAPHIC IDEAS

These important ideas may be used at any level, but development of the students' understanding of these is expected at the form levels specified.

### 3. INTERACTION

The ideas of linkages, networks, and interaction contribute to the spatial organisation and locational analysis approaches to geography. These ideas and concepts are applicable to physical and to cultural geography.

		Level
3.1	Elements of an environment affect each other and this is INTERACTION.	11, 12, 13
3.2	Interaction takes place at different scales and with varying degrees of intensity and complexity.	11, 12, 13
3.3	Interaction involves movement of such phenomena as material, energy, ideas.	12, 13
3.4	Movement implies linkages. Linkages may form networks.	12, 13
3.5	There are both natural and cultural barriers to movement. These barriers offer degrees of restraint and may be overcome.	12, 13
3.6	Interaction may lead to such things as co-operation, specialisation, competition, conflict, friction, erosion.	12, 13
3.7	Spatial interactions may require the development of facilities at appropriate locations.	12, 13
3.8	Landscapes are the visible products of processes interaction in the environment.	11, 12, 13
3.9	Cultural processes interact with the natural environment to establish certain patterns in particular places.	11, 12, 13

**Reference:** *Syllabus for Schools Geography Forms 5 – 7 (1990)*  
*Learning Media, Ministry of Education, Wellington pp. 22 – 25.*