



(1) Keywords

(3) Why is Europe a tourism

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Mediterranean climate.

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Barcelona tourism.

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Barcelona is a city on the coast of north eastern Spain. **12%** of Barcelona's income is created through tourism. However, overtourism is creating challenges for the local people and the environment.

Over **32 million** tourists visit each year, which means that there is a high demand for hotels, souvenir shops, cafes which are unnecessary and unaffordable. The local people are unhappy with the amount of tourists.

On the 26th April, 1986, reactor number four at the Chernobyl nuclear power plant in Ukraine suffered a catastrophic explosion, throwing clouds of radioactive material over the surrounding area.

All **49,000 inhabitants of Pripyat** were evacuated and have never returned due to the high levels of radiation that still exist today.

In 2021, an estimated 73,000 tourists visited Chernobyl in 2021. Tourists are fascinated by the event that has turned Pripyat into a **'ghost town'**.

Many people believe that it is disrespectful for people to visit Chernobyl as a tourist. Other people believe that visiting Chernobyl allows people to pay their respects and learn about an important event in recent history.

1. **Ecosystems:** Russia is the largest country in the world and has a unique physical geography. One of Russia's largest ecosystems (biomes) is the **Tundra**.

The **Tundra** is located in northern Russia. The tundra experiences very low temperatures.

Most of the ground in the tundra is **permafrost**. This is permanently frozen ground with a thin top layer that melts in the summer.

2. **Fragile Environments:** Permafrost is very fragile. Recently the permafrost in Russia is melting rapidly. This is creating problems.

Environmental: Permafrost prevents dead