



SITE AND SITUATION

SITE

- is the actual location of a settlement on earth
- is composed of the physical characteristics of the landscape specific to that area



SITE FACTOR INCLUDES THINGS LIKE...

- landforms (mountains, natural harbour)
- climate
- vegetation types available
- availability of water
- soil quality
- minerals
- wildlife



SITE

- These factors led to development of major cities

Example: New York



NEW YORK SETTLEMENT

Located where it is for several SITE factors:

- its coastal location with natural harbor
- abundance of fresh water from Hudson Bay and small creeks
- availability of raw materials for building supplies
- Nearby Appalachian > barrier to movement inland



SITUATION:

Situation is defined as the location of a place relative to its surroundings and other places.

Factors included in an area's situation include:

- the accessibility of the location
- the extent of a place's connections with another (trading support)
- how close an area may be to raw materials if they are not located specifically on the site.

