



What are Flashpoints?

Flashpoints are major world events that affect a large number of people. They bring together geographers and scientists to try and work out solutions. The three flashpoints of swine flu, The Sichuan earthquake (2008) and climate change are on different scales but each have something to tell us about how geographers and scientists work together.

Read the flashpoint fact files and using bullet points, fill in this table.

	<i>What causes/caused the flashpoint?</i>	<i>What are the impacts of the flashpoint on people/environment?</i>	<i>Examples of places affected</i>	<i>What role/interests do Geographers have about this flashpoint?</i>	<i>What role/interests do scientists have about this flashpoint?</i>
Swine Flu					
The Sichuan Earthquake					
Climate Change					

