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Continents and Oceans

(1) Introduction

- 71% of the earth is covered with water and 29% of it is covered with land.
- The large landmasses are known as continents and vast water bodies are known as oceans.
- The land is uneven in different parts of the world.
- The natural features on surface of earth is known as landforms.
- The formation of landforms is slow and gradual process.

(2) Continents:

- Continents are referred as vast portion of landmass.
- millions of years ago there was a super continent named Pangea and the large ocean was known as Panthalasa.
- When Pangea broke into two parts it got divided into Laurasia and Gondwana.
- Further when Laurasia and Gondwana broke into parts, they took form of modern day continents.
- There are Seven continents, namely Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Antarctica, Europe and Australia (Oceania).
- Most of the continent lies in Northern Hemisphere.