## West African Coastal Towns Swallowed by Ocean

## Vocabulary:

erosion (noun)

– the process by which the surface of something is gradually destroyed through the action of wind, rain, etc.

**Example:** Soil erosion in this area is very dangerous, because it often leads to landslides.

lagoon (noun) – a small area of fresh water near a lake or river

**Example:** We can see a lot of species of fresh-water fish in this lagoon.

**dam** (noun) – a barrier that is built across a river in order to stop the water from flowing **Example:** If this dam bursts, the entire city could be flooded.

overflow (verb) - to be so full that the contents go over the sides

**Example:** The water in the bathtub overflowed and almost flooded his apartment!

**irreversible** (adjective) – that cannot be changed back to what it was before **Example**: Their decision to sell the company is irreversible.

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