accurate

how close a measurement is to the true value

representative

a small sample that reflects the larger entity

valid

the suitability of the investigation to answer the question

reliable

when a method produces stable and consistent results

efficient	the method works well without taking too much time or energy
ethical	the method minimises potential harm to people or the environment
valid	how well the investigation reflects the reality it claims to represent

Key terms for GCSE geographers to talk about methods and results.

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