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How this atlas is organised

This is a user-friendly atlas that provides a detailed, comprehensive and integrated view of the world. Special features include:

- * integration of maps with other geographical data such as fact files, cross-sections, graphs, tables, photos, satellite images, aerial photographs, topographic maps and historical data
- * a double-page spread or broadsheet approach, with interrelated data focusing on a particular region or theme
- * colour bands that link the contents to regions and global statistics
- * a cross-section for MalaWi and each continent to show the nature and shape of the land surface
- * each continent is introduced in a double-page spread with the political map on the left and the physical on the right, integrated with a fact file of important data and a cross-section
- * maps and graphs for each continent provide a basis for global comparison
- * climate graphs for more than 50 different locations
- * global statistics consolidated in one section at the end
- * a metric line scale, representative fraction and map projection indicated on each map
- * a settlement key on all political maps and a relief key on all physical maps
- * the symbols used throughout are explained on page 4
- * the index provides a comprehensive alphabetical list of place names using both latitude and longitude and the alpha-numeric coordinates