

# Where should we move in Italy?

## Why is the Albertini family leaving Aliano?

The Albertini family have lived in Aliano for several generations but they are being forced to move for several reasons. Dad, Antonio, tells us why

*The land below my house has crumbled away and eventually it will fall down the hillside. The house also gained cracks from a recent earthquake. Because of this the local authority will not allow any new building in the village. The land I farm is also being worn away by heavy rains in winter while 3 years of summer droughts have resulted in poor harvests. I cannot earn enough money to keep my farm going,*

## What are their dreams for the future?

Neither of Antonio's children want to be farmers in the future but Antonio would like to continue to farm. The daughter Antonella, 12, wants to be a PE teacher, but Alessandro, 10, is unsure what he wants to do. The mum, Angelina, works in the home looking after the family.

## Where in Italy?

- The family need to try and decide where the best place is for them to move to and have asked you as a team of re-locators to help them.
- You have short listed 5 main areas and as a group you must decide on the pros and cons of each location for the **whole family**. You will present this information to them on a display.
- The final part of your task is to make the decision about where the family should move to. You will need to think about why the family would be happy there and the jobs that the different family members may be able to do. You will each write a report giving your decision and the reasons for it.

The 5 short listed areas are:

- **Sicily** - near Syracuse, where the oil industry has developed, and the surrounding landscape is similar to Aliano.
- **Treviglio**, a village near Milan in the Industrial Triangle, where a new bicycle factory has been set up, and farmland is fertile.
- **The North Italian Plain** around Venice
- A village below **Mt Vesuvius** on fertile volcanic soil, near Naples, on the west coast, which has many industries.
- **The Pantano**, a flat area of land in the valley below Aliano that has been drained for new farmland and where a new village, Alianello nuovo, has been built in the Messogiorno.