

Prior Learning

Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur, and talk about changes.

Vocabulary

4 point compass	A compass helps us to find the location of something. (North, South, East, West)
Capital city	Is usually the busiest city in the country where most business is run
Countryside	A space/area with lots of green lands. It usually has farmland in it.
London	The capital City of England
Mouth	The mouth of a river is where the river goes out to the sea.
River Thames	The longest river in the UK. (215miles long. Starting near Circencester (Kemble)
Source	Where a river starts
Town	a built-up area with a name. It is larger than a village and smaller than a city. It usually has a business and shopping area
United/Union	Countries that are joined/link together
Union Jack	The flag of the United Kingdom made up of the flags of England, Scotland and N. Ireland

Key Visuals

The United Kingdom



London



River Thames



Unit Learning Outcomes

Locational knowledge/map skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be able to locate England on a map of the UK To understand the UK is surrounded by the Atlantic Ocean To locate London on a map of the UK in relation to Reading
Physical Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To understand that the UK is made up of four countries To understand the UK is made of towns and countryside To be able to discuss physical features of a coastline
Human Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To understand that London is the capital city To understand what is in a town To understand what is in the countryside To be able to discuss human features of a coastline

Geographical Skills and Enquiry

- To make a map on something meaningful (Ie classroom) adding a key
- To go on a hunt/maze using the language of north, south etc.

Opportunities for cross-curricular links.

Literacy	
Art	Water colour art linking to the River Thames
History	Learning about St George - the patron saint of England