

Local Area Study

Year 2

Main Foci: Milton Keynes

What should I already know?

- I live in **Milton Keynes** which is a **City** in **England**.
- There are **four countries** which make up the **United Kingdom**: **England, Wales, Northern Ireland, Scotland**
- The **capital cities** of the United Kingdom are: **Belfast, Edinburgh, London** and **Cardiff**
- An **ocean** is a very large sea.
- There are five oceans: **Pacific, Atlantic, Indian, Southern, Arctic**
- A **continent** is a large area of land that is separated from others by water or other natural objects
- There are **seven continents**: **Antarctica, Asia, Australasia, Europe, Africa, North America, South America**

Vocabulary

city - a large town. London is a city.

capital city - a city or town where the central government of a country is .

sea - a body of salt water (not as large as an ocean) and often nearly surrounded by land.

country - an area of land that is controlled by its own government.

landmark - an object or a feature of a landscape or town that has importance

physical features - natural features of land.

weather - a description of what the outside conditions are like in a particular place .

season - quarterly division of the year according to general weather patterns.



Grand Union Canal



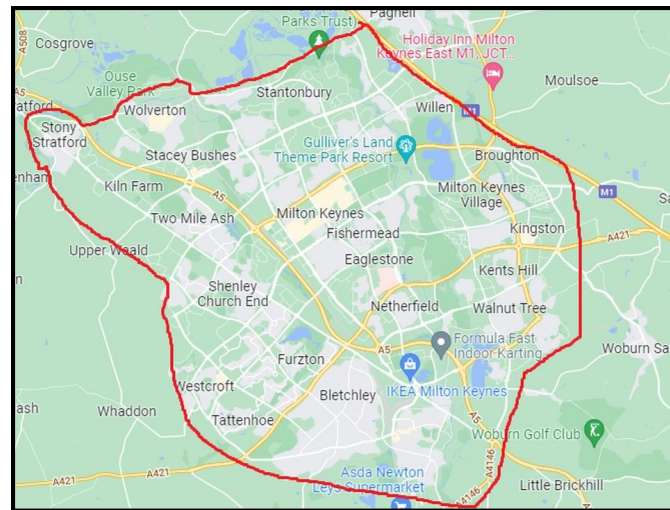
Bletchley Park



Centre MK



Milton Keynes Stadium



Road Map Skill

I can use four compass points.



Concrete Cows



Xscape



Willen Lake

Study of a Non-European Country

Year 2

Main Foci: Mexico

What should I already know?

- I live in **Milton Keynes** which is a **City** in **England**.
- There are **four countries** which make up the **United Kingdom: England, Wales, Northern Ireland, Scotland**
- A **continent** is a large area of land that is separated from others by water or other natural objects
- There are **seven continents: Antarctica, Asia, Australasia, Europe, Africa, North America, South America**
- The **equator** is an imaginary line that divides the world in half into two **hemispheres (Northern and Southern)**.
- The closer to the equator, the hotter it is as the **sun** is the closest to the **Earth** there.

Geographical Skills

- Understand geographical **similarities** and **differences** through studying the **human** and **physical** geography of a small area of the United Kingdom and of a **contrasting non-European** country.
- Use **compass** directions (**north, south, east and west**) and **locational language** (e.g. **near and far**) to describe the location of features and routes on a map.
- Ask** and **answer** geographical questions (such as: **What** is this place like? What or **who** will I see in this

What's the same? What's different?



Glossary

country - an area of land that is controlled by its own government.

human features - man made features of the world.

physical features - natural features of land.

weather - a description of what the outside conditions are like in a particular place.

Equator - the imaginary line that dived the world into hemispheres.

compass points - North, South, East, West

World Weather and Map Skills

Year 2

Main Foci: Weather in the UK and around the world

What should I already know?

- The weather is what happens outside.
- The world travels around the sun.
- Which countries are hot and which are cold.
- The equator is the imaginary line that runs around the centre of the Earth. The countries closest to it are the hottest.
- There are two hemispheres, the Northern with the North Pole, and the Southern, with the South Pole.
- What it is like to live in a hot and cold country.

Geographical Skills

- Name and locate the world's **seven continents** and **five oceans**.
- Name, locate and identify characteristics of the four **countries** and **capital cities** of the **United Kingdom**.
- Identify seasonal and daily **weather patterns** in the United Kingdom and the **location of hot and cold areas** of the world
- Locate the **Equator** and the **North and South Poles**.
- Use world **maps**, atlases and globes.

Vocabulary

weather - a description of what the outside conditions are like in a particular place .

Precipitation - any liquid that falls from the sky.

season - quarterly division of the year according to general weather patterns.

Equator - an imaginary line around the Earth that goes exactly midway between the North Pole and the South Pole.

