

Castlefield School- Geography

Topic: UK countries and cities Year: Three

Theme: Locational knowledge

Important facts

- The world is made up of 7 continents which contain many countries.
- The United Kingdom is a nation within the continent Europe.
- Each country of the UK has it's own capital city:
- England (London)
- Scotland (Edinburgh)
- Wales (Cardiff)
- Northern Ireland (Belfast)
- England has the biggest population in the UK.
- The UK is divided into regions. Within these regions are different counties.
- Within counties are villages, towns and cities. The biggest cities in the UK are: London, Birmingham, Leeds, Glasgow and Manchester. (London is the biggest city in Europe)
- Physical features of the England include: The River Thames, The white cliffs of Dover and Land's end.
- Other physical features of the UK include: The Giant's Causeway (Northern Ireland), Ben Nevis (Scotland) and Snowdon (Wales)

United Kingdom England

North East

Northumberland.

Tyne and Wear, Durham and Cleveland.

Yorkshire & Humberside

North/South/West Yorkshire and

East Yorkshire (also known

as Humberside)

East Midlands

Derbyshire, Leicestershire,

Lincolnshire,

Northamptonshire,

Nottinghamshire and Rutland

East Anglia

Norfolk, Cambridgeshire, Suffolk, Bedfordshire,

urban

Cornwall Map of England Cornwall is the most westerly county in Britain, bordering North West Devon and surrounded by the Cumbria, Lancashire, English Channel and the Celtic Greater Manchester, Merseyside and Cheshire

West Midlands

Staffordshire, Shropshire, West Midlands. Herefordshire, Warwickshire and Worcestershire.

South West

Gloucestershire,

Wiltshire, Somerset,

Dorset,

Devon and Cornwall

of St. Austell has the largest population

of over 500,000.

• Truro is the only city in

Sea.



The county has a population

Cornwall, although the town

Hertfordshire and Essex South East Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire, Berkshire, Surrey, Hampshire, Isle of Wight, West Sussex, East Sussex and Kent.

Key Vocabulary cartographer Somebody who draws and produces maps. A large town. London is a city. city An area of land close to the sea. coastal compass points Any of the main points of the compass e.g. north, south-east, etc. country An area of land that is controlled by its own government. A region of Britain or Ireland which has its county own local government. human features Features of land that have been impacted by human activity. landmark A building feature which is easily recognised. landscape Everything you can see when you look across an area of land, including: hills. rivers, buildings, trees and plants. population All the people who live in a country or area. rural Places that are far away from large towns or cities. topographical The physical features of an area of land, for example its hills, valleys and rivers.

London

Belonging to or relating to a town or city.

- London is the biggest city in Britain and in Europe.
- London has the highest population density in Britain, with 4,699 people per square kilometre.
- London was the first city in the world to have an underground railway.