

Riverside Primary – Geography Knowledge Organiser Let's explore London

Topic: Let's explore London

Phase: KS1

NC Strand: Place knowledge, human and physical geography, geography skills and fieldwork.

Key Vocabulary:

capital city	The capital city in any country is the most important city because this is where the government runs the country from.
landmark	A landmark is easy to see and can help a person find the way to a place near it, it is often a building of historical importance.
weather	Is how we describe the conditions outside over a short period of time. (hours/ days)
seasons	The four seasons are Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter.
continent	A continent is a large solid area of land. Earth has seven continents.
country	A country is an area of land.
Houses of Parliament	The Houses of Parliament are in London. Here, the people who run the government meet to make and change laws to keep the country running.
compass	The compass is a tool which points out directions.

- **Place knowledge** --Understand the geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the UK
- **Human and physical geography** - identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the UK.
- **Geographical skills and fieldwork** - Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries, as well as the countries, continents and oceans studied at this key stage
- Use simple compass directions (North, South, East and West) and locational and directional language [for example, near and far; left and right], to describe the location of features and routes on a map.



Have you ever been to any of these landmarks? What were they like?

The world is split into seven different **continents**. Each continent (apart from Antarctica) is split into lots of different countries.

This is the **United Kingdom**. It is made up of four different countries: England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

Which of these countries is London in?

This is the Houses of Parliament in London. Here, the people who run the government meet to make and change laws to keep the country running.

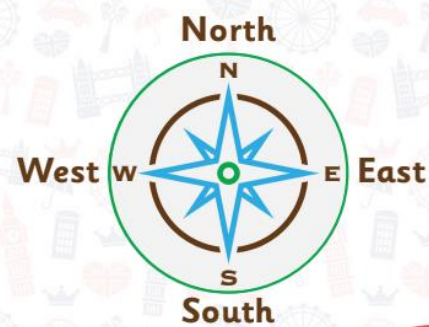
Which continent do we live in?

Tower Bridge, over the River Thames, is one of the most famous bridges in the world. You can go inside the towers, and the walkway between the two towers has a glass floor so you can look down at the river and traffic below.

The bridge can be opened so that large boats and barges can pass through.

What is a compass rose?

This is a **compass rose**. It shows four different directions: North, South, East and West. Compass roses like this one are often shown on **maps** to help people navigate from place to place.



Weather changes throughout the year. We split the year into four parts to help identify what the weather will be like at different times. We call these four parts **seasons**.

Do you know what the four seasons are called?

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