

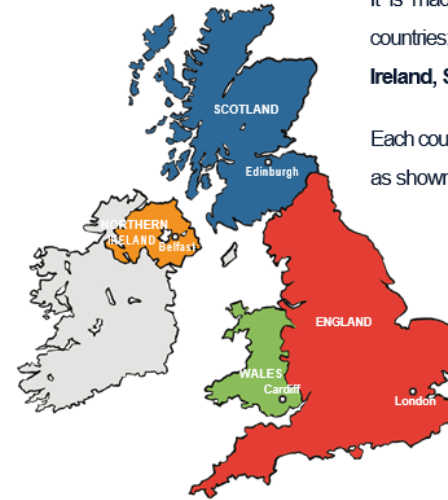
**What will we be learning?**

- Locate key geographical characteristics of the UK and the North West region and know the key human and physical features.
- To know how to use compasses, keys and symbols to read a map.
- To know the key topographical features found in the North West.
- To consider how land use patterns have changed in the North West.

**Key vocabulary**

- **Human features:** something that is built by humans and would not have existed in nature e.g. houses, factories, farms, harbours, cities.
- **Physical features:** natural features of land e.g. forests, cliffs.
- **Vegetation:** plants, trees or flowers.
- **Mountain:** a very high area of land with steep sides.
- **Land use:** the way in which an area of land is used or the purpose for which it is used.
- **Region:** an area of a country that has common features.
- **Settlement:** the places people live.
- **Population:** the number of people that live in a country or area.
- **Climate:** the general weather of an area.

The **United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland** is an island country in Europe.



It is made up of four smaller countries: **England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales.**

Each country has a **capital city**, as shown on this map.

A compass is a **magnetic instrument used for finding directions.** The four directions on a compass are called **cardinal directions.** They are **north, east, south and west.** The needle within the compass will always point towards the **north.**



**England** is split up into smaller sections called **regions.**

Each of these **regions** contains **counties, cities, towns and villages.**



Which of these is a country in the United Kingdom?	
Canada	
Australia	
Wales	

Which of these is a county in the North West of England?	
Essex	
Lancashire	
Cornwall	

What is the definition of a settlement?	
The places where people can live.	
The plants that can grow in an area.	

Urban areas are...	
towns or cities where many people live and work.	
places with lots of natural spaces and fewer people.	