Bright Lights, Big City

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These activities are for you to do at home with an adult. You can do all of them or choose the ones that you find most interesting.

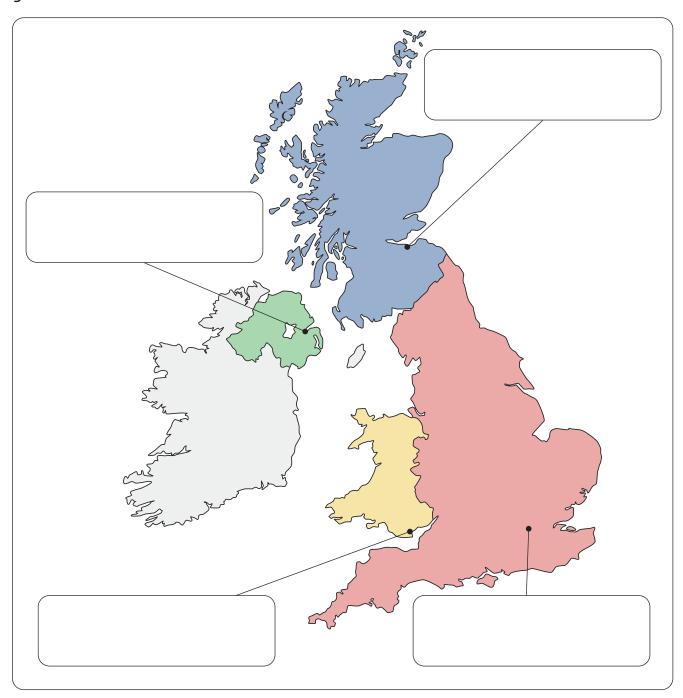
Activities

1. A landmark is a feature of a landscape or town that is easily seen from far away. Think about the landmarks you have seen in your local area. Draw and label an example of each type.

Memorial	Entertainment venue
Royal building	Place of worship
Engineering structure	Physical feature



2. Four countries make up the United Kingdom. Use an atlas, map or the internet to label each country and capital city. You could also find out the names of the surrounding seas and oceans. Can you find the place where you live?



Useful words

- Atlantic Ocean
- Belfast
- Cardiff
- Edinburgh

- England
- English Channel
- Irish Sea
- London

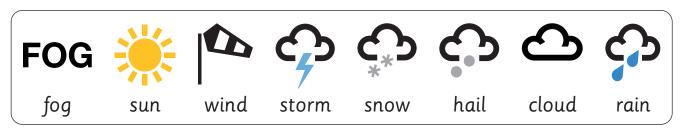
- Northern Ireland Wales

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3. All cities, towns and villages have physical and human features. Physical features form naturally, and human features are made by people. Tick the correct column to show whether these places are physical or human features then take a walk around your local area and add features to the table.

	Place	Physical feature	Human feature
river			
shop			
forest			
island			
bridge			

4. The United Kingdom has four seasons with different types of weather. Weather symbols describe the types of weather. Draw the correct symbols next to the photographs, then find and stick a photograph in the table to match one of the remaining symbols.



Photograph	Weather symbol

5. London is the capital city of England and the United Kingdom and has many landmarks that tourists like to visit. Use information books and the internet to find as much information as you can about a London landmark. Create a poster to tell tourists about it. You might include information about where it is, what it was built for and if it has any opening times or prices.



Buckingham Palace



Tower of London



Westminster Abbey



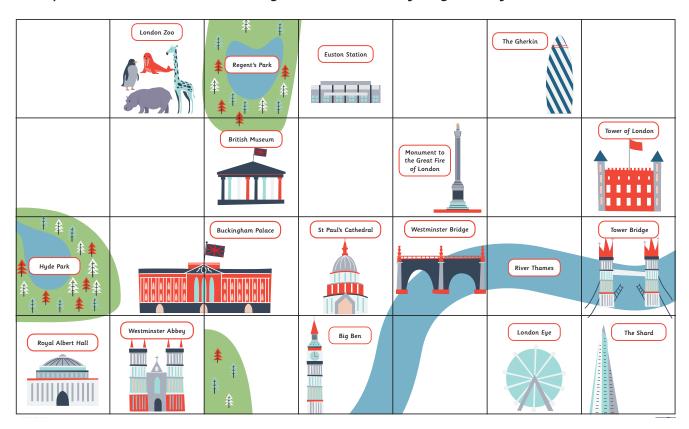
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6.	Imagine you have visited London. Write a postcard to a friend telling
	them about your day. You could include how you travelled, how busy it
	was and which physical and human features you saw.

7. Imagine you were living in London during the Great Fire of London. Put these events in order, then use them to tell an adult what happened. The first one has been done for you.

Thomas Farriner was working in his baker's shop on Pudding Lane.	1
The fire reached the river and began to go out.	
The king ordered his soldiers to knock down some houses, but the fire kept spreading.	
A spark from the oven set the baker's shop on fire.	
The fire spread through the wooden houses and narrow streets.	

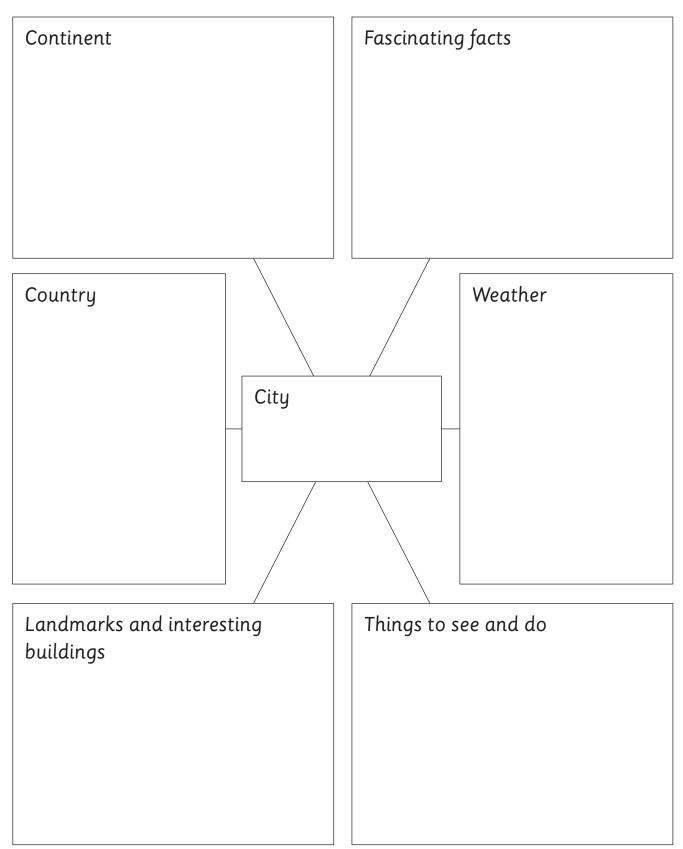
8. A map is a picture of an area of land or sea that shows the human and physical features of a place. Look at the London grid map below. Use the useful words to give an adult directions from one landmark to another. Swap roles so that the adult gives directions for you to follow.



Useful words

• face • forward • left • right • square • turn • walk

9. Use an atlas, world map or online maps to look for a capital city, such as Paris, Berlin, Lagos, Tokyo, Moscow or Madrid. Choose one that you think looks interesting and use information books and the internet to help you to find out about the city. Write interesting facts about the city on a mind map.





adult what you have learned about cities, landmarks and London.

Useful websites

BBC Bitesize - Let's explore the UK

Visit London - Welcome to London

BBC Teach – Geography KS1 – Transport, travel and landmarks of London

BBC Bitesize – What are human and physical features?

Good reads

Title	Author	ISBN
London Children's Map	Kourtney Harper	9781904711049
Children's Picture Atlas	Ruth Brocklehurst	9780746047132
London (Capital Cities of the United Kingdom)	Chris Oxlade and Anita Ganeri	9781474727662
Cities of the World	Becky Davies	9781788817189