

Name of topic: Best of British

Year 5 – Autumn 2

What? (Key knowledge to be taught)	
The British Isles and the surrounding seas and oceans.	Great Britain Ireland The Isle of Man English Channel North Sea Irish Sea
The 4 countries and their capital cities	England - London Scotland - Edinburgh Wales - Cardiff Northern Ireland - Belfast
Study of a capital city	
UK population:	66.04 million
Well known cities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newcastle • Manchester • Liverpool • Aberdeen • Glasgow • Newport • Swansea • Londonderry
Well known mountain ranges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scafell Pike • Pennines • Ben Nevis • Grampian • Cambrian Mountains • Snowdon
UK coastal areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Needles (Stacks), Isle of Wight • Durdle Door, Dorset
UK rivers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • River Thames • River Trent • River Mersey

Know how to ...

Locate British Isles and surrounding seas
Recognise how different countries in the UK are connected.

Name and locate different cities, including capital cities.

Identify the different physical (mountain ranges, rivers and coastal areas) and human (buildings, train lines and roads).

Use an atlas confidently and successfully.

Vocabulary (key words to learn)	
Sea	The expanse of salt water that covers most of the earth's surface and surrounds its land masses.
Ocean	A very large expanse of sea.
Country	A nation with its own government, occupying a particular territory.
Capital city	The city or town that functions as the seat of government and administrative centre of a country or region.
Population	All the inhabitants of a particular place.
Area	A region or part of a town, a country, or the world.
Mountain	A large natural elevation of the earth's surface rising abruptly from the surrounding level.
River	A large natural stream of water flowing in a channel to the sea, a lake, or another river.
Coastline	The part of the land adjoining or near the sea.
Local	Relating or restricted to a particular area or a neighbourhood.
Mouth (river)	The place where a river enters the sea.
Source (river)	A spring or fountain head from which a river or stream issues.
Meander (river)	A winding curve or bend of a river.
Tributary (river)	A river or stream flowing into a larger river or lake.
Peak (mountain)	A mountain with a pointed top.
Contour line	An outline of a natural feature such as a hill or a mountain.

Real life outcome and context:

Researching and finding out about a popular city in the UK and planning a trip of a lifetime to that city.

Quote:

"The study of geography is about more than just memorising places on a map. It's understanding the complexity of our world."

Barak Obama