Bishop Monkton CE Primary School - Geography Knowledge Organiser – Counties and Cities of the UK—Locational Geography

What should I already know?

- The **village** I go to school in is Bishop Monkton, which is in the county of North Yorkshire.

There are **villages** and **towns** in North Yorkshire, some of which are **coastal**.
North Yorkshire is in England, which is a **country**. England, which is in the United Kingdom, is in the **continent** of Europe.

- The capital **cities** of the four **countries** that make up the United Kingdom and their characteristics.
- The surrounding seas of the United Kingdom.
- Land-use patterns in the local area and how they have changed over time.
- The terms **urban** and **rural** and use them to describe areas of the UK.
- How to locate places using four figure grid references.
- How to identify features such as hills, mountains, coasts and rivers on a map.

Geographical Skills and Fieldwork

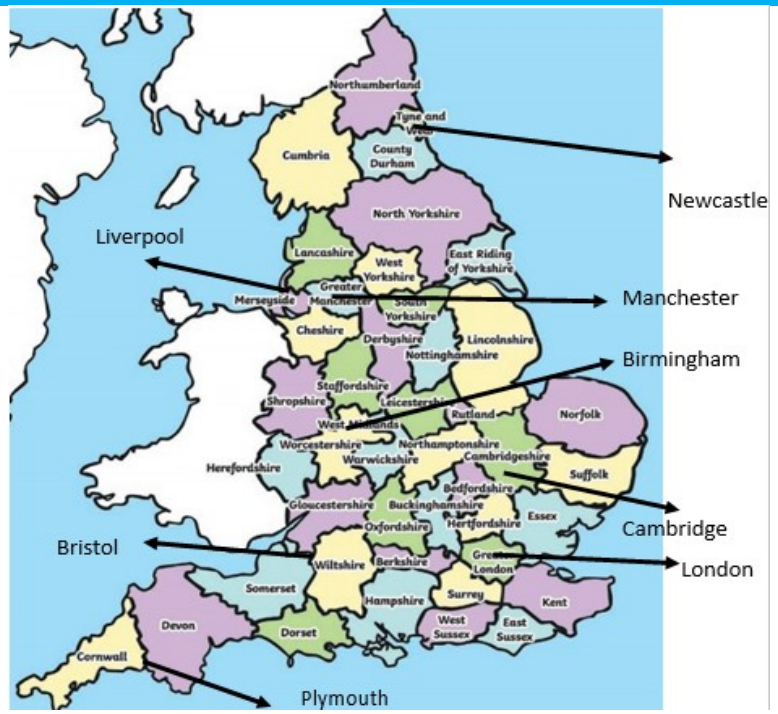
- Use aerial photographs to compare land use in North Yorkshire and land use in London or another major **city.** Create a key using symbols to show what different features are.
- Study Ordnance Survey **topographical** maps to plot land use patterns and features of **counties** of the UK.
- Research how the **population** of North Yorkshire has changed over time. Present this in a graph. Compare this to a similar graph showing the **population** of London.
- Compare **urban** and **rural** areas using six-figure grid references.
- Compare different sources for **population** numbers. Which is the most reliable? Why is it hard to measure **population?**
- Use the National Grid to identify where different **counties** are using six-figure grid references.

Characteristics of the UK

Human Landmarks (features)	Physical Landmarks (features)
 Canterbury Cathedral	 River Severn
 Stonehenge	 Ben Nevis
 Angel of the North	 Lake District
 Clifton Suspension Bridge	 White Cliffs of Dover
 Roman Baths	 Land's End
 Edinburgh Castle	 The Needles

Largest **cities or areas** of the UK (by **population**)*	
City Region	Approximate **population**
Greater London	8,674,000
West Midlands	2,834,000
Greater Manchester	2,756,000
West Yorkshire	2,282,000
North East	1,957,000
Glasgow	1,804,000
Liverpool	1,525,000
Cardiff	1,505,000
Sheffield	1,375,000
Edinburgh	1,350,000

*Office for National Statistics
- **Population** Dynamics of UK **City** Regions



Vocabulary

cartographer	Somebody who draws and produces maps.
city	A large **town**. London and Leeds are **cities**
coastal	An area of land close to the sea.
compass points	Main points of a compass: north, south, east, west, north-east, north-west, south-east, south-west.
country	An area of land that is controlled by its own government.
county	A region of Britain or Ireland which has its own local government.
human features	Places that have been impacted by human activity.
landmark	A building or feature which is easily recognised.
landscape	Everything you can see when you look across an area of land, including hills, rivers, buildings, and plants.
physical features	Natural features of land.
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.
urban	Belonging to, or relating to, a town or city.