



Geography Knowledge Organiser

Year: 2 Term: 1 Topic: London

Big Questions/Challenging Perceptions



Where is London?
 What is a capital city?
 What is the difference between a building and a landmark?
 Why do cities have parks or green spaces?
 Why is the River Thames important?



Prior knowledge

Year 1
 Prior Knowledge
 Can locate seven continents on a world map and make comparisons with their own locality.

Name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans.

Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom and the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles.

Prior knowledge

Year 2
 Knowledge
 Name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding sea.

Use aerial photographs and plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features.



Vocabulary	
Scale	The scale on a map shows what size the area that is represented in the map really is.
Aerial photograph	An aerial photograph is a picture of an object or place that has been taken from above.
Trade	Trade is the buying and selling of goods and services between people, companies and countries.
Capital city	A capital city is an important place where important decisions about how to run the country get made.
Parliament	Parliament is the group of people who make the laws for the country.
Government	A government is the group of people who are in charge of running the country.
Commute	To commute is to travel quite a long distance between your home and where you work.
Landmark	A feature in the landscape which has a particular meaning attached to it, for example, to help with directions, is called a landmark.
Public transport	Public transport is the shared use of vehicles such as trains, buses, trams and planes on routes where people pay fares.
Pollution	Pollution is anything that makes the environment dirty or unhealthy.
Recreation	Recreation is an activity done for pleasure.
Navigation	Navigation is finding a way from one place to another.
Sewer	A sewer is an underground pipe that takes dirty water, such as from baths and toilets, to the sewage works to be cleaned.
Route	A route shows the starting point and end point of a journey, sometimes with stops in between.