



What I should already know

I can name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and surrounding seas.

I can use an atlas and globe to locate land and sea and to name and locate UK and major features.

Key Skills and Knowledge

I can name and locate countries and cities of the UK and geographical regions.

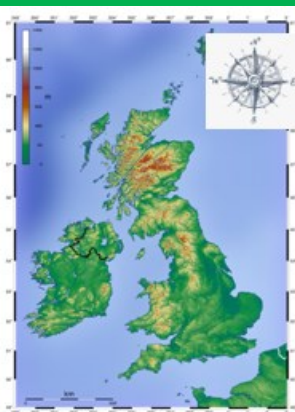
I can understand how land use patterns have changed over time

I can use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping (Google Earth) to locate countries and describe features studied.

Types of Maps

Maps are very important to **geographers** and have been used for centuries to record the features people see.

A **topographical map** shows the **height of mountains, rivers and plateaus in different colours.**



UK Counties

Key Facts: Each country is further divided into **counties**. Governments decide where the boundaries of **counties** go and counties often have distinct human and physical characteristics.

2D flat Ordnance Survey maps use keys to show physical and human features.

Google Earth uses **digital 3D mapping** to produce a **virtual map of the world**. This can show satellite view, street view and map view. Can you find physical and human features using Google Earth?



Key Vocabulary

Word/ term	definition
Agriculture	The process of cultivating land to grow crops and rearing animals for food
City	A large town like London or Birmingham
Compass point	Any of the main points on a compass: North, South, East, West
County	A county is a specific region/area of a country.
Country	An area of land that is controlled by its own government
Human features	features of land that have been impacted by human activity
Physical features	natural features of land
Settlement	A place where people establish a community