

## Geography

## Place Knowledge

## Year groups 1 & 2



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| <b>What</b>                           | London, Capital of the UK<br>Population: 8.982 million                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Beijing, Capital of China<br>Population: 21.54 million                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Continent</b>                      | Europe                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Asia                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Physical features of the place</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Modern London has the equable climate of South East England, with <b>mild winters and temperate summers</b>. The average temperature is 11.1 degrees.</li> <li>• Divided into two main zones: Highlands include rugged hills, rocky mountains, valleys, and plains. This area has a cooler climate and is generally unsuitable for farming. Lowland zone, where much of its population is concentrated, includes gentle slopes and warmer temperatures.</li> <li>• The main river that runs through the city is the River Thames.</li> </ul>                                                                                                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The climate varies from warm tropical weather (in the south) to subarctic (as low as 30°C in the north). The average temperature is 13 degrees.</li> <li>• The city is <b>39% flat land</b> and the other 61% is quite mountainous area.</li> <li>• The main rivers that flow through the territory include Yongding river, Chaobai river, North canal, and Juma river.</li> </ul>             |
| <b>Human features of the place</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• People live in houses, high-rise flats and apartments.</li> <li>• The Shard (310m) is the tallest Skyscraper in Europe where people live.</li> <li>• There are Many parks, museums, shopping malls and supermarkets</li> <li>• Key Landmarks include the Houses of Parliament, The Tower of London, The London Eye, Buckingham Palace and St Paul's Cathedral.</li> <li>• Lots of train stations, underground tube stations and airports. The tram system in London was the oldest in the world, going all the way back into the early Victorian times and is remains the largest system today.</li> <li>• Many tourists visit London.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• People live in houses and high-rise flats in the city.</li> <li>• Key Landmarks include The Forbidden City or Forbidden Palace, Tiananmen Square, Beijing National Stadium and The Great Wall of China.</li> <li>• There are any parks, museums, temples, shopping malls and supermarkets</li> <li>• Lots of train stations and 2 airports.</li> <li>• Many tourists visit Beijing.</li> </ul> |



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| Climate      | What the weather is like over a long period.                                                                     |
| Culture      | The 'way of life' of a country or group of people, e.g. tradition, dress, language, religion.                    |
| Human-made   | Built by humans.                                                                                                 |
| Landmarks    | Important objects or features of the landscape.                                                                  |
| Population   | The number of people living there.                                                                               |
| Environment  | All the physical surroundings on Earth are called the <b>environment</b> .                                       |
| Capital City | The <b>capital city</b> , often called the capital, is the one from where the government of a country functions. |
| Tourist      | When people travel for pleasure/fun, they are called <b>tourists</b> .                                           |

