

Rural and Urban areas

Key Questions:

What is the difference between a rural and urban area?

What is a city? What is a county?

How is the United Kingdom divided?

What are the human and physical features of rural and urban areas?

What is the difference between rural and urban UK?

How has the growth of population affected urban areas?

We are learning:

- What the characteristics of a rural area are.
- What the characteristics of an urban area are.
- What a county is.
- Where some of the key cities and counties in the UK are.
- How urbanisation impacts the UK.

We are learning to:

- Use maps to locate key cities and counties in the UK.
- Identify the features of rural and urban areas.
- Differentiate between rural and urban areas by making direct comparisons.
- Use maps and images to identify key features in both rural and urban areas.
- Identify the positives and negatives of urban areas, rural areas and urbanisation.

Key vocabulary:	Definition:
Urban	A densely populated area, like a city.
Rural	A less densely populated area, like the countryside.
Urbanisation	The process of an area becoming more urban.
City	A large town with lots of people and buildings.
County	A territorial area in some countries.
Human features	Anything created by or added in by humans.
Physical features	Anything existing before or without input by humans.

Rural

Rural areas are found in **the countryside**, surrounded by open land. Most of the land in the UK is rural.

Suburban

Suburban settlements are usually located outside of large cities and towns and the land here is used for **housing**.

Urban

Urban settlements are **towns and cities** with a high population.

