

Finn's Geography Expedition: Comparing Landscapes

Learning objective: To identify and compare the key physical and human features of a specific UK location.

Join Finn the dolphin on his latest expedition! Choose a location in the United Kingdom you know well—such as your local town or a place you have visited on holiday. Use the sections below to investigate the landscape and the people who live there. Make sure to clearly distinguish between what is natural and what has been built by humans.

Word bank: physical geography · human geography · settlement · infrastructure · land use · topography · environment · climate

1. Location and Physical Geography: Identify your chosen location. What natural features are found there, such as rivers, mountains, forests, or coastlines? (2 marks)

2. Human Geography: List the human-made features in this area, such as roads, houses, bridges, shops, or farm buildings. (2 marks)

3. Land Use: How do people use the land in this area? Is it mostly residential (housing), commercial (shops/offices), or agricultural (farming)? (2 marks)

4. The Connection: How do the physical features of this place (like a river or a hill) affect the human features (where people built their houses or roads)? (3 marks)

5. Change over time: How do you think this place might change in the future? What new human features might be added? (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Research a different UK location that has a very different climate or landscape to the one you chose. Create a Venn diagram to show the similarities and differences between the two places.