

My Local Area: A Geography Writing Scaffold

Learning objective: To describe the features of a settlement and explain why people choose to live there.

Use the prompts below to help you write about where you live. Follow the sentence starters and use the word bank to help you.

A settlement is a place where people live, work, and build their homes.

Word bank: because · nearby · features · settlement · also · transport · shops · homes · therefore

1. What is the name of your settlement? Start your sentence: My home is in a settlement called... (2 marks)

2. What features can you see in your area? Use this starter: In my local area, I can see... (2 marks)

3. How do people travel around your settlement? Use this starter: People move around our area by... (2 marks)

4. Why is your settlement a good place to live? Use this starter: I think my settlement is a good place to live because... (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Ask Finn the dolphin: If you could build a new house in your area, what would it look like and where would you put it?