My Local Settlement: A Geography Study

Learning objective: To describe and explain the features and land use of a settlement.

Use this writing frame to describe where you live. Think about the buildings, transport, and why people chose to build a settlement in this area.

My local settlement is a busy place where many people live, work, and go to school.

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1. Location and Geography: Where is your settlement situated? Describe the landscape around it (e.g., near a river, on a hill, or in a flat valley) and why you think people settled there. (3 marks)

2. Buildings and Land Use: What are the main types of buildings in your settlement? Think about residential houses, shops, schools, or parks. Which land use is the most common? (3 marks)

3. Services and Facilities: What services do the people in your settlement need? List three important facilities and explain how they help the local community. (3 marks)

4. Transport and Connections: How do people travel around your settlement? Mention roads, pavements, or train stations and explain why these links are important. (3 marks)

5. Comparison: If you could add one new feature to your settlement to improve it for the people living there, what would it be and why? (3 marks)

Extension challenge: Ask Finn the dolphin to help you draw a bird's-eye view map of your street. Label your map with a key to show the different types of buildings you identified in your writing.