

What are the human and physical features of the seaside?

In this unit, children will learn about geographical features of the seaside, both human and physical. Children will learn about seaside environments; finding out where they are located in the United Kingdom and seaside resorts nearest their own locality using maps and aerial photograph. They will be able to label features of a seaside and will develop their key vocabulary. This topic links to history and they will also look at how seaside resorts have changed over time.

In this unit children will:

- Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries.
- On a map of the UK find seaside locations and use simple compass directions to describe the location from Hedon to the seaside locations.
- Name the surrounding seas in the UK.
- Name the surrounding sea at each identified seaside location.
- Identify our closest seaside and the largest seaside near our local area.
- Label features of a seaside such as; sea, cliff, shop, port, harbour, beach, boat, hill, lighthouse and pier.
- Understand the difference between human and physical features.
- Sort features of a beach into human and physical.
- Use aerial photographs to identify human and physical features of Bridlington beach.
- Describe a UK seaside resort (Bridlington) in detail using a range of information.
- Match the key words to the definition.

Prior Learning

Year 1 Continents and Oceans

Hot Vs Cold Countries

Cross Curricular Links

History Changes in the seaside from Victorian times

Art The history of Punch and Judy

Key Vocabulary

Bay - a place where the coast bends inwards and sea fills the space.

Beach - a beach is a strip of land that borders an ocean, river or lake. It is made up of loose particles, such as sand, gravel or pebbles.

City - a large town.

Cliff - a steep rock face close to the edge of the sea.

Coast - the part of the land near the sea.

Country - a large area of land controlled by a government.

Dunes - Hills or mounds of sand held together by plants, often near the sea.

Harbour - a place by the seaside where boats can stay safely in the water.

Island - a piece of land surrounded by the sea.

Ocean - a very large area of sea, in particular each of the main areas into which the sea is divided geographically into 5 oceans.

Pier - a structure for people to walk along that is built out into the sea.

Port - a harbour where ships load and unload.

Sea - the salt water that covers most of the earth's surface.

Shore - the land along the edge of the sea or lake.

Tourist - a person who is travelling or visiting a place for pleasure.

Key Knowledge

- The UK is made up of England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.
- Seas are areas of salty water. Seas are smaller than oceans. Around the UK the surrounding seas are; the Irish Sea, the English Channel, the North Sea and the Celtic Sea.
- Our local seaside areas are Hornsea, Bridlington and Scarborough.
- Hornsea and Bridlington beach is located in a North, East direction to Hedon.
- Scarborough beach is located North to Hedon.
- Coastal areas are appealing to many tourists, because of the landscape of cliffs and beaches.
- In most cases, seaside towns such as those mentioned have a sandy beach as one of the main attractions. Early tourists arrived by train, stayed in hotels and other accommodation close to the beach and spend a great deal of their time there. More recently, tourists have become more demanding and are looking for a wider range of attractions, which have had to be provided by the resorts.
- Coasts are where the sea meets the land.
- Cliffs are steep rock faces especially at the edge of the sea.
- The pier is a platform projecting from the shore into the sea.
- Arcades are indoor areas containing coin operated games.
- The promenade is a paved, public walkway near to the sea front. The shore is the land along the edge of the sea.



Physical and Human features of a seaside:

Physical features	Human Features
Sand	Pier
Dunes	Lighthouse
Beach	Fairground
Cliff	Promenade
Cave	Arcades
Rockpools	Shops
Bay	Harbour

Key Questions

- What countries make up the UK?
- What does an aerial view mean?
- What are human features of the seaside?
- What are physical features of the seaside?
- Can you label the features of a seaside?
- Can you name a seaside near you?
- What seas surround the UK?
- Can you describe Bridlington beach?