



Year 1/2 Geography Knowledge Organiser: What is the UK?



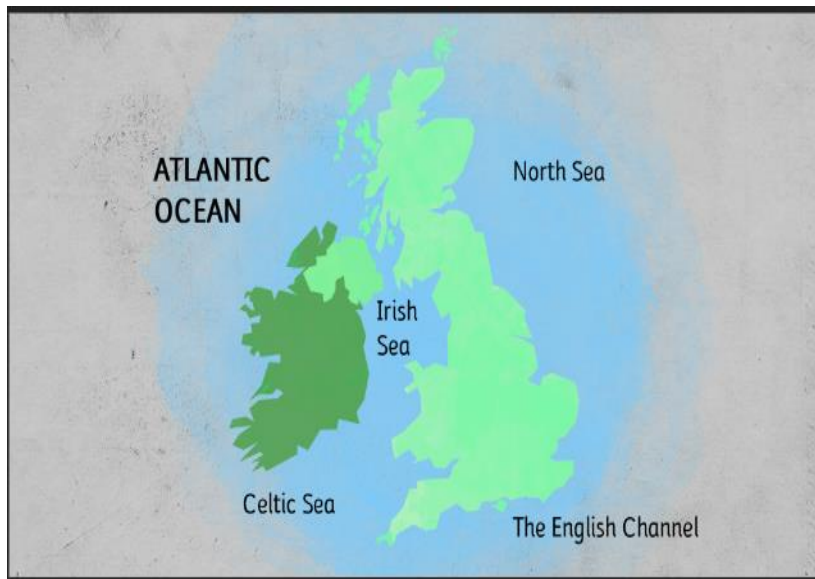
Subject Specific Skills

- Name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the UK and its surrounding seas.

Prior Learning

- Use all their senses in hands-on exploration of natural materials.
- Explore collections of materials with similar and/or different properties.
- Talk about what they see, using a wide vocabulary.
- Explore how things work.
- Begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things.
- Know that there are different countries in the world and talk about the differences they have experienced or seen in photos.

Key Knowledge: Surrounding Seas – Irish Sea, North Sea, Atlantic Ocean



Key Vocabulary:

Town: A town is a place where people live and work.

Countryside: Land that is not in towns or cities.

Pro: The positives of something.

Con: The negatives of something.

Country: An area of land with its own government, rules and borders.

UK: The United Kingdom. It is made up of four countries: England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

Island: An area of land surrounded by water

Capital city: A town or city where the government sits.

Landmark: A feature of a landscape or place that is easily recognised. It could be something made by people (a human feature) or something that occurred naturally (a physical feature).

Population: How many people live in one particular place. This could be the population of a city, a town, a country or the whole world.

Key Knowledge: Four Countries – England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales

The UK is made up of 4 parts:

- **England** - the capital is London,
- **Scotland** - the capital is Edinburgh,
- **Wales** - the capital is Cardiff,
- **Northern Ireland** - the capital is Belfast.

