



## Owl Geography Knowledge Organiser Term 1



### Changes in our local environment: How is our country changing?

#### Key Objectives

- To name and locate some key topographical features of the UK and your own region.
- To understand that local people will have differing opinions about change in their region, and to explain some ways in which development can be sustainable.
- To understand that regions change over time and that change is continual.
- To understand that change is happening in the local area, and that changes will continue to happen.
- To explain how the local area has changed and how it might change in the future.
- To understand how the local area has changed and to consider what it might be like in the future.



#### Key Vocabulary

Capital City	The largest or most significant settlement where people live and work; where major government buildings and offices and cultural sites, such as museums, are located; and where people visit to see landmarks.
Landmark	A significant human or physical feature that people know, name and recognise.
Region	An area that is defined by certain unifying characteristics, which may be physical, human or cultural.
Tourism	Travelling for fun or holidays.
United Kingdom	Country consisting of Great Britain (England, Wales and Scotland) and Northern Ireland.
Sustainability	This means using resources in a way that meets the needs of today without harming the environment or the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. It involves practices that can be continued for a long time without causing negative impacts on the planet or people.
Topography	Topography describes the physical features of an area of land. These features typically include natural formations such as mountains, rivers, lakes, and valleys.

#### Sticky Knowledge

1. The British Isles is a geographical term and refers to the islands of Great Britain and Ireland (including the Republic of Ireland), as well as the approximately 5000 smaller islands around the coastline.
2. The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland is a political union, consisting of England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. The Channel Islands and the Isle of Man are not part of the UK (they are Crown Dependencies).
3. The UK withdrew from the European Union in January 2020, in a process called Brexit. The EU is a political and economic union of 27 member states that are located primarily in Europe.
4. Great Britain is the official name given to the countries of England, Wales and Scotland. It is the largest island of the British Isles.
5. The UK is the world's 22nd most-populated country, with some 67 million inhabitants. London, the capital city, covers the third-largest urban area in Europe.
6. The UK has the sixth-largest national economy in the world.
7. UK regions are usually listed as: Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, north-east England, north-west England, Yorkshire and the Humber, East Midlands, West Midlands, East of England, Greater London, south-east England and south-west England. A region is a politically defined area and sometimes changes.