ENGLAND Our local area - Geography

Physical and human features

Aerial Map of St. Botolph's CE Primary School

Physical feature

Piper Woods is a physical feature.



Physical features like seas, mountains and rivers are natural. They would be here even if there were no people around.

Human feature

Charnwood Dental Centre is a human feature.



Human features are things like houses, roads and bridges that have been built by people.

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Grid references

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A grid reference tells you where something is on a map.

Example: You can find the dog in C5.

There are two parts to a grid reference: The 1st letter or number tells you how far across the map something is. The 2nd letter or number tells you how far up the map something is.

What is a key on a map?

Example of a key



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church



car park



cycle lane

A key is a little box of information found on a map. It contains an explanation of what the different symbols on the map mean.

Geographical key terms and vocabulary

Diseworth is a village.

village

A village is a small group of houses, perhaps with a few shops, that are often in the countryside.

town

Shepshed is a town.



A town is a large group of houses, shops and factories where people live and work. Towns are larger than villages but smaller than cities.

city

Leicester is a city.



A city is a large and important town. Many cities have a university and a cathedral. They usually have a large population. In the UK the monarch can decide if a town can become a city.

farm - A farm is an area of land and its buildings, used for growing crops and rearing animals.

factory - A factory is a building where workers use machines to make things for sale.

office - An office is part of a building in which people work. They often sit at desks and work with computers, phones, etc.

shop - A shop is a building where things are sold.

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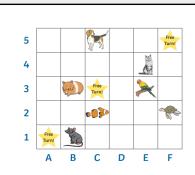




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Geographical key terms

| village | town | city |
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| Diseworth is a village. | Shepshed is a town. | Leicester is a city. |