Key Stage 1: Geography

Title of Topic: What can you see at the coast?

## Term: Summer 2026

## National Curriculum: Geography

Pupils should develop knowledge about the world, the United Kingdom and their locality. They should understand basic subject-specific vocabulary relating to human and physical geography and begin to use geographical skills, including first-hand observation, to enhance their locational awareness.

#### Human and Physical Geography

Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to:

- Key physical features, including: beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, valley, vegetation, season and weather.
- Key human features, including: city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour and shop.

#### Place knowledge

Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the United Kingdom.

#### Geographical skills and fieldwork

Use simple compass directions (North, South, East and West) and locational and directional language. Use aerial photographs and plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features.

## **Equipment and Resources**



Google Maps/ Atlases



The International Space Station



Compass



Globe



Aerial Photographs

## **Key Questions**

What are some of the UK's amazing features and landmarks



# What is the coast?



Coast

What **physical features** would you see on the coast?



What **human features** would you see on the coast?

## Vocabulary

**Physical feature** A landform that occurs naturally on Earth.

**Landmark** An easily recognisable and possibly well-known feature.

**Aerial** photograph A photograph taken from the air.

**Capital city** A city where the country's government is located.

**Country** A land or nation with its own government.

**Locate** To discover the position of something.

**Location** A particular place or position. **Cliff** A steep rock face.

**Coast** A piece of land along the sea or ocean.

**Coastline** Where the sea meets the land. **Island** A piece of land surrounded by water.

Ocean A large expanse of salt water.

Sand dunes A mound formed by sand.

**Sea** A smaller body of salt water beside land.

**City** A large settlement with millions of people.

**Town** A built up area larger than a village.

**Village** A group of houses and buildings in a rural area.

**Data collection** Gathering information, which can be used to answer questions or spot patterns.

**Fieldwork** Collecting data outside of the classroom to answer an enquiry question. **Human feature** A large feature that was

**Human feature** A large feature that was built by people, such as a road, bridge or town.

**Pictogram** A chart which uses pictures to represent collected data.

**Tally chart** A table used to collect data.

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Key I	_earning :
1	What are some of the UK's amazing features and landmarks?  Identifying features and major geographical characteristics of the UK and locating these on a map.
	Learning: To identify geographical characteristics of the UK.
2	Where are the seas and oceans surrounding the UK? Locating the UK and the surrounding seas and oceans on a map.  Learning: To locate the seas and oceans surrounding the UK.
	What is the coast?
3	Identifying what the coast is and some of its features. <b>Learning:</b> To explain what the coast is.
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4	How do people use our local coast? (Data collection) Investigating how people use the local coast by follow a route on a map, identifying human features and recording data in a tally chart.
	Learning: To investigate how people use the local coast.
5	How do people use our local coast? (Findings)  Presenting findings on how people use the local coast by discussing the types of human features and creating a pictogram to represent how people use the local coast.
	Learning: To present findings on how people use the local coast.
6	Where are our oceans? Naming and locating the five oceans on a world map.
	Learning: To know the names of the five oceans and locate them on a map.