

Inquiry question: Is success the same for everybody?

Geography unit: Comparison study (Greece)

Strand: Locational Knowledge and Place knowledge

What children will need to already know to access this unit:

- The village our school is in is Blewbury.
- Blewbury is in Oxfordshire which is in England.
- England is in the UK
- The UK is in the continent of Europe
- Greece is also a country in Europe

Why is this unit being taught in this term and links to previous learning.

My class, my school, my town theme in Year 1 and 2
 Links to the inquiry question and looking at Ancient Greece in History.
 Building foundations for further comparison studies in Year 5 and 6.
 Links to *Is competition important?* in Year 5 – Greeks/Olympics.
 Links to *'How weather affects humans'* in Year 4 and 5

Geographical skills and fieldwork (what the children will do)

Use aerial photographs and google earth to compare England and Greece.
 What is similar? What is different?
 Identify human and physical features.
 Identify and describe how the physical features affect human activity within a location.
 Create a Venn diagram to compare similarities and difference between Oxfordshire and Greece.
 Discuss why people (tourists) would visit Oxfordshire/Greece.
 Use compass points to describe location of Greece to UK

Key vocabulary/glossary of terms:

climate	Climate is the average measurements of temperature, wind, humidity, snow, and rain in a place over the course of years. Climate is like the weather, but over a long time.
coastal	near a coast.
coast	The coast is the place where land and sea meet.
Compass points	Any main points of a compass: north, south, east, west, north-east, north-west, south-east, south-west
continent	A very large area of land that consists of many countries. Europe is a continent
harbour	A sheltered port so boats can be left there safely
Human features	Features of land that have been impacted by human activity
island	A piece of land that is surrounded by water
landscape	Everything you can see when you look across an area of land, including hills, rivers, buildings, trees and plants
mainland	The largest part of a country or continent is the mainland when you are contrasting it to the islands around it
mountain	A very high area of land with steep sides
peninsula	A piece of land almost surrounded by water
Physical feature	Natural features of land
port	A harbour where boats load or unloads goods/passengers
river	A large, natural stream of water that flows into the sea or a lake
tourist	A person who is visiting a place for pleasure or interest, especially when they are on holiday
weather	The condition of the atmosphere in one area at a particular time, for example raining, hot, windy

What will children know by the end of this unit:

- Greece is located in Europe, bordering the Aegean Sea, Ionian Sea and the Mediterranean Sea. It is a peninsular country, with approximately 3,000 islands.
- Greece has a landscape of forests, rivers, mountain ranges and beaches.
- Greece is in Southern Europe. It is bordered by 4 countries.
- The climate can range from hot and dry to cold mountain forests, depending on the region and time of year.
- The northern part of Greece can be very cold during the winter and snow is not uncommon.
- How modern-day Greece is similar and different to ancient Greece.

	Human Features	Physical Features
<p>England</p> 	<p>England has many villages, towns and cities. The capital city in England is London.</p>  <p>Cars, trains and busses are the main forms of transport around England.</p>	<p>The climate is mild. Summers are warm and winters are cool.</p>
<p>Greece</p> 	<p>Greece has many villages, towns and cities. The capital city in Greece is Athens.</p>  <p>Ferries are the main form of transport to and from the islands. Greece has many ancient structures including the Acropolis and Delphi</p>	<p>The climate of Greece is Mediterranean with summers that are usually hot and dry, and the winters that can be quite cold and wet</p> <p>Greece's natural hazards include severe earthquakes, floods, droughts and wildfires.</p>

Teacher
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