

Y3/4 – How have rivers, and the River Humber in particular, influenced the city of Hull?

Procedural knowledge

Fieldwork

Sketch maps and plans of the Humber Estuary

Map work

Four figure grid references

Use OS maps with a key

Locate counties and cities – with a focus on Hull

Factual and Conceptual knowledge

Name and locate counties (Lincolnshire, North Lincolnshire, North East Lincolnshire and the East Riding) and cities of the UK – Hull, Birmingham, Leeds, Manchester, Newcastle and York.

Name and locate the Humber Estuary and River Ouse, Trent, Ancholme, Freshney and Hull.



The Humber Bridge links Hull, which is in the East Riding of Yorkshire, with North East Lincolnshire.

What is Hull like?

Hull is a port city on the north bank of the River Humber, which is situated on the east coast of the UK. The city has a population of approximately 300,000.

The city centre is a mixture of old buildings like the university and Wilberforce House as well as newer tourist attractions such as the aquarium The Deep.

Hull was the 'City of Culture' in 2017.

What is the Humber Estuary like?

The Humber Estuary is a tidal estuary. It is 62km in length.

It is formed at Trent Falls, Faxfleet where tidal rivers join together.

The mouth of the estuary is the North Sea, between Spurn Head.

The Rivers Trent, Ouse, Ancholme, Freshney and Hull are all tributaries to the estuary.



Which countries did Hull trade with?

Historically, Hull traded with Scotland, Scandinavia as well as France, Spain and Portugal.

Wool and woollen cloth were exported and wine and timber were imported.

Once steam was introduced, Hull exported frozen meat to Australia, New Zealand and South America along with the rest of Britain.

Before the port declined, whaling and deep sea trawling were prosperous industries.

Key Vocabulary

estuary, banks, bed, brackish, erosion, deposition, mouth, current, sediment, transportation, tributaries, settlement

Links

Diagonal link to Humber Bridge walk Y5/6 (Cycle A)
Vertical link to UK, London and World Trade Y5/6 (Cycle B)

