

St. Bernard's Primary School – Geography

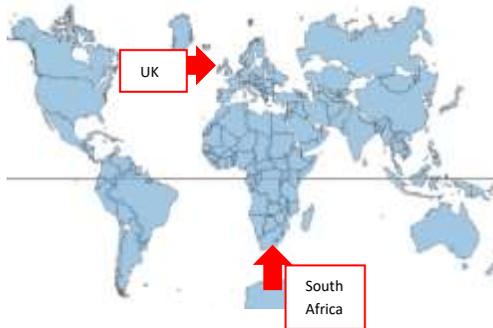
**Topic: South Africa / Durban
(comparing Preston to a
non-European area)**

**Strand: Place Knowledge &
Human and Physical Geography**

Year 2

What should I already know?

- The names of the four countries and capital cities of the UK.
- The geography of our school and the key human and physical features.
- Where to find the hot and cold places of our world in relation to the North and South Poles and the Equator.
- That the weather and weather patterns in the UK are seasonal.



Key

- The United Kingdom is in Europe.
- South Africa is in Africa.
- Europe and Africa are continents.
- The UK and South Africa are countries.
- The UK and SA are made up of villages, towns and cities.
- SA is much larger than the UK.
- SA and the UK have different climates and seasonal weather patterns.

Human Geographical features of Durban

- Durban is SA's 3rd most populated city.
- Durban is located on the East coast of SA.
- It has Skyscrapers skyscrapers, which are very tall buildings.
- Durban has one of the largest slum areas in the SA.
- Durban has many tourist attractions.
- Durban also has a port, museums, shopping malls, offices and supermarkets.
- There is also a train station, a harbor and an airport.
- Many tourists visit Durban. There are lots of hotels for them to stay in.

Physical Geographical features of Durban

- Durban has many tourist attractions.
- The climate in Durban is usually hot and humid but there is a significant amount of rainfall during the year. There is a wet and dry season.
- Durban has one hill range and its coast is on the South African ocean.
- There is a national park near Durban which is best known for Africa's big 5 animals.

Vocabulary

airport	a place where aeroplanes land and take off
capital city	the city where the government sits
city	a large town, like Preston
climate	weather that is typical of a place
continent	a very large area of land that consists of many countries. Europe is a continent
country	an area of land that is controlled by its own government
harbour	a place on the coast where ships moor to shelter
hill	a naturally raised area of land lower than a mountain
hotel	a place that provide guests with somewhere to eat and sleep
house	a dwelling, place to live for people
human features	features of land that have been impacted by human activity
humid	a climate that is very hot and damp
landscape	everything you can see when you look across an area of land including hills, rivers, buildings, trees and plants
office	a room where business and work takes place
physical features	natural features of land
rainfall	the amount of rain that falls in a time period
seasons	main periods of the year that can have their own weather conditions
sky scraper	a very tall building with many floors
temperature	a measure of how hot or cold something is
tourist	a person who visits a place for leisure, interest or pleasure
town	a large group of houses, shops and buildings where people live and work. Towns are larger than villages but smaller than cities.
train station	a place on a railway line where trains stop to allow people to get on and off
vegetation	plants, trees and flowers
village	a small group of houses, perhaps with a few shops
weather	the condition of the atmosphere at a given time

Geographical skills and fieldwork

- Use photographs, including aerial photographs, to compare Preston and Durban. Identify similarities and differences
- Use an atlas and a globe to find South Africa and the UK. Understand how an atlas and a globe is used
- Research features of Preston and Durban using information books and on-line searches and identify similarities and differences.
- Contact children in Durban. Ask questions about Durban and answer questions about Preston.
- Use the points of the compass to describe where other places and features of South Africa are in relation to Durban.
- Investigate and identify seasonal weather patterns in Durban.
- Research some of the the different areas and important features of South Africa and plot them on a map.



Durban

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Question 1: South Africa and the UK are...	Start of Unit	End of Unit	Question 2 : Asia and Europe are...	Start of Unit	End of Unit
Continents			Continents		
Countries			Countries		
Towns			Towns		
Cities			Cities		
Don't know			Don't know		
Question 3: Which of these can I use to find where the UK and South Africa are? (tick 2)	Start of Unit	End of Unit	Question 4 : Preston and Durban are similar because they both...	Start of Unit	End of Unit
A telescope			Have hills		
An atlas			Have a beach		
A dictionary			Have a national park		
An information book			Have slum areas		
Don't know			Don't know		
Question 5: Preston and Durban are different because... (tick 2)	Start of Unit	End of Unit	Question 6 : Tick the statements that are true	Start of Unit	End of Unit
Durban is a city and Preston is a village			Preston is a coastal city		
Durban has a national park and Preston does not			Durban is the most populated city in South Africa		
Preston has a train station and an airport and Durban does not			There are many museums in Durban		
Preston is in Europe and Durban is not			Preston is made up of several islands joined together		
Don't know			Don't know		