

Bright Lights, Big City



These activities are for you to do at home with an adult. You can do all of them or choose the ones that you find most interesting.

Activities

1. A landmark is a feature of a landscape or town that is easily seen from far away. Think about the landmarks you have seen in your local area. Draw and label an example of a memorial, entertainment venue, royal building, place of worship, engineering structure and physical feature.
2. Four countries make up the United Kingdom. Print off a blank map of the United Kingdom and use an atlas, map or the internet to label each country and capital city. You could also find out the names of the surrounding seas and oceans. Can you find the place where you live?
3. All cities, towns and villages have physical and human features. Physical features form naturally, and human features are made by people. Take a walk around your local area and write a list of the physical and human features you see.
4. The United Kingdom has four seasons with different types of weather. Weather symbols describe the types of weather. Print off photographs from the internet showing sunny, rainy, windy, cloudy, snowy, foggy and stormy days. Draw the correct weather symbol on each photograph.
5. London is the capital city of England and the United Kingdom and has many landmarks that tourists like to visit. Use information books and the internet to find as much information as you can about a London landmark. Create a poster to tell tourists about it. You might include information about where it is, what it was built for and if it has any opening times or prices.

6. Imagine you have visited London. Write a postcard to a friend telling them about your day. You could include how you travelled, how busy it was and which physical and human features you saw.
7. Imagine you were living in London during the Great Fire of London. Retell the events to an adult in the correct order using words such as baker's shop, king, Pudding Lane, river, Thomas Farriner and wooden houses.
8. A map is a picture of an area of land or sea that shows the human and physical features of a place. Explore London on a map using Google Maps or OS maps online. Give directions from one feature to another for an adult to follow. Swap roles so that the adult gives directions for you to follow.
9. Use an atlas, world map or online maps to look for a capital city, such as Paris, Berlin, Lagos, Tokyo, Moscow or Madrid. Choose one that you think looks interesting and use information books and the internet to help you to find out about the city. Write interesting facts about the city on a mind map.
10. Finish your home learning by writing sentences or explaining to an adult what you have learned about cities, landmarks and London.

Useful websites

BBC Bitesize – Let's explore the UK

Visit London – Welcome to London

BBC Teach – Geography KS1 – Transport, travel and landmarks of London

BBC Bitesize – What are human and physical features?

Good reads

Title	Author	ISBN
London Children's Map	Kourtney Harper	9781904711049
Children's Picture Atlas	Ruth Brocklehurst	9780746047132
London (Capital Cities of the United Kingdom)	Chris Oxlade and Anita Ganeri	9781474727662
Cities of the World	Becky Davies	9781788817189