

## Geography - KS1 Year A

### What is Geography?

Geography is about Earth's land, water, air, and living things—particularly people. The word comes from the Greek geo, which means "Earth," and graphy, which means "writing or description." Physical geographers study landforms, water, soil, and climate. They also study the distribution of living things.



### What is it like where we live?

Sytchampton is a rural hamlet in the county of Worcestershire, which is in England. It is near the River Severn. Villages are small settlements with a small number of houses for a few hundred people. Most villages are found in the countryside and may be surrounded by farms where food is produced and sold to people in towns and cities. Some villages have a few shops. And there may be a place of worship, like a church. Hamlets are human settlements that are smaller than villages.



Why might people choose to live in a Hamlet?

Why might people choose to live in a City?

Why might Cities grow close to Rivers?

**Land use:** the way in which land is used by people (e.g. housing, industry, parklands, farmland)

**Rural:** relating to the countryside

**Settlement:** a place where people live, which can be categorised into villages, towns and cities)

**Urban:** relating to a town or city

**City:** a large and permanent human settlement

**Village:** small settlements with a small number of houses for a few hundred people

**Hamlet:** human settlements that are smaller than villages

**Human Feature:** things that are made or built by humans

**Physical Feature:** anything on the earth made by nature

## Worcestershire (A Study of where we live) What do I know about where I live?

### Sytchampton Endowed Primary School

Sytchampton School is owned by the Lloyds Education Foundation Charity, which was established in the early 1700s by Richard Lloyd (an Ombersley Church Warden) and Sir Samuel Sandys (the then Lord of the Manor). These men wanted to build schools which were free for children from poorer families to attend. Their charity even provided equipment and clothing for these children.

The first school was opened in 1729 at Brookhampton. In 1826, Brookhampton School was sold and our school, Sytchampton School was opened. Ombersley School was also built by the Foundation in 1873. Pupils will compare the historic picture of the school to now and look at how it has changed.



**Fieldwork:** Pupils will create their own map of the school grounds, using their own pictures and symbols/labels and identifying Human Features and Physical Features.

**Mapwork:** Pupils will find the school on Google Earth, Google Maps and a current Ordnance Survey map and identify some key symbols and features around the school, including:



Symbol	Meaning
[Building]	Classroom
[Tree]	Play area
[Path]	Pathway
[Fence]	Boundary
[Gate]	Gate to school
[Wall]	Wall
[Light]	Light
[Flag]	Flag
[Tree]	Tree



### How is Worcester different to Sytchampton? (Fieldwork: Trip to Worcester)

Worcester is a city in Worcestershire, in the country of England. A city is a large and permanent human settlement. In the UK cities often have a Cathedral and/or a University. Worcester is 9.7 miles away from Sytchampton.

Pupils will compare Ordnance Survey maps, Google Maps and Google Earth with their findings about Sytchampton and identify Human Features and Physical Features. They will compare similarities and differences between Worcester and Sytchampton. Pupils will plan a fieldwork trip to the Cathedral and the River to include learning about the flooding of the River Severn. They will carry out a survey of what human and physical features they see on their trip.

