

Discover the Differences!

Comparing your area with Southampton Water

Student Introduction

- ▶ Let's see how different your local area is compared with a busy port.
- ▶ On your ferry trip look out for human and physical geographical features!
- ▶ Work in small groups. Choose a name for your group and write it on all of your worksheets.



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In the box below, draw or paste a map of your local area. Your teacher will tell you which roads to go.

Then answer the questions on the next page.

Look at the **Physical** and **Human** features of your local area map. List some of the main ones in the table below:

Physical Features	Human Features

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Which features do you find the most of?

Why do you think there are so many of them?



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AT SCHOOL - Now let's take a look at Southampton Water

Study the map below, which shows Southampton Water and the top of the Isle of Wight, which you will be visiting soon.



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Discuss your findings with the whole class before you take your trip to the Isle of Wight.



ON THE FERRY - Let's spot some Human & Physical Features!

During your ferry crossing, work with your group to spot the following Human and Physical features. If you see any, put a tick in the box under "Southampton Water".

If you see any features that are not on this list, add them at the end!

PHYSICAL FEATURE	Southampton Water	Your Local Area	HUMAN FEATURE	Southampton Water	Your Local Area
Rivers that run into larger rivers or the sea			Residential Buildings Houses, blocks of flats		
Sea This is all around the whole of the UK			Industrial Buildings Factories, offices		
Marshes Wetland near the shore			Tourism Buildings Hotels, campsites, beach huts		
Islands Small bits of land in the sea			Transport Motorways, roads, railways, airports, harbours		
Beaches Can be sandy or stony			Farms Farm houses, barns, stables, farmland, animals		
Cliffs Made of rock, soil or chalk			Communication Masts, power lines		
Mudflats Soft, wet and only visible at low tide			Shopping Supermarkets, shops, take- aways, cafes		
Hills Smaller than mountains!			Leisure & Entertainment Sports clubs, cinemas, theatres, museums		
Forests & Woods Full of trees and shrubs			Services Schools, hospitals, fire stations, churches, coastguard		
Wasteland Often full of weeds, rubbish and ruined buildings					

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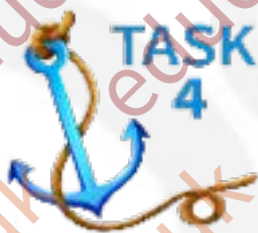
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KEEP THIS SHEET SAFE as you will need it back at school!

Write your group's name here:



BACK AT SCHOOL - Time to do some comparisons...

You will need the tick sheet you took on the ferry with you.

Using a different coloured pen or pencil, now tick the Human and Physical features that you have in your own Local Area. Answer the following:

Write down in your own words **which features are unique to your own Local Area?**

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Why do you think the two areas are different from one another? Do they have anything in common? Write down and explain your thoughts. Compare your thoughts with other groups and discuss.

