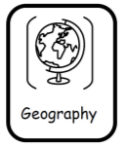




# Geography



## Knowledge organiser – Northumberland - a region of the UK (LKS2)

### What will we be learning?

We will be looking closely at our county: Northumberland and its position as the most northerly county of England. We will investigate the landscape of Northumberland including the Cheviot hills, rivers and coastline. We will also look at the land use of the region including hill farming. We will find out about the settlement patterns including market towns and industrial settlements linked to mining and trade. We will find out about what is special about Northumberland including the National Park and Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and how it has changed.

### Key knowledge

- Northumberland is an English county bordering Scotland to the North, Cumbria to the east and County Durham / Tyneside to the south.
- Northumberland is a mostly rural county with the main population centres in the south east close to Newcastle and Tyneside.
- Northumberland is home to the Cheviot Hills, the northern part of the Pennines. The highest hill is: The Cheviot (815m).
- Northumberland has a number of rivers running mostly from west to east flowing into the North Sea: Tyne, Wansbeck, Coquet, Aln, Tweed (forming a border with Scotland).
- The rural community of Northumberland is mostly farming with market towns acting as regional hubs: Hexham, Morpeth, Alnwick, Berwick.
- The urban communities are based in the south east based around the coal mining industry: Ashington, port: Blyth and a new town: Cramlington.
- Northumberland received many visitors to its National Park, Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (coastline) and its many castles.



### Key Vocabulary

#### Physical

Cheviot Hills, coast AONB, National Park

Rivers: Tweed, Till, Aln, Coquet, Wansbeck, Tyne

#### Human

Land use patterns, farming, settlement, changes over time, mining, trade, transport, National Park

#### Location:

Towns:

Ashington, Blyth, Cramlington, Berwick, Alnwick, Morpeth, Hexham

#### Skills

Map work, ordnance survey,

### Glossary

**Hill farm:** upland farming usually of sheep

**Coal mine:** area in which coal is extracted from the ground either in deep or surface mines

**AONB:** Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty: land protected to enhance its beauty

**National Park:** area of land protected by law for the benefit of the nation.