

What makes the North West of England so special?

Subject Specific Vocabulary

Ordnance Survey	An Ordnance Survey map is a detailed map produced by mapping agency of the United Kingdom (UK).
symbol	Map symbols are used to represent real objects. Both shapes and colours can be used for symbols on maps.
grid reference	Numerical grid references consist of an even number of digits. Eastings are written before Northings.
environment	The air, water and land in or on which people, animals and plants live.
region	An area of a country, especially one that has a particular characteristic or is known for something.
county	A geographical region of a country used for administrative or other purposes. A county has its own local government.
conservation	The protection of plants and animals.
hill	An area of land that is higher than the surrounding land.
mountain	Mountains are areas of land that are much higher than the land surrounding them. They are higher and usually steeper than a hill and are generally over 600 metres high. They are often found together in a group called a mountain range.
coast	The land next to or close to the sea.
river	A natural wide flow of fresh water across the land into the sea, a lake or another river.



Sticky Knowledge about the North West of England and Map Reading

- ❑ The region's weather is mild and wet, with frequent heavy outbreaks of rain. Nearer the west coast, the wind is stronger and can be very bitter. Temperatures on some summer days can reach the mid 20s in degrees Celsius.
- ❑ The Lake District is a region and national park in Cumbria. A popular holiday destination, it's known for its glacial ribbon lakes, rugged fell mountains and historic literary associations.
- ❑ A 4-figure grid reference contains 4 numbers. The first two numbers are called the eastings, which is the number you would look for at the bottom of the map. The second two numbers are called the northings and represent the numbers you would look for on the side of the map.
- ❑ Heartland of the Industrial Revolution and home to some of the country's most beautiful landscapes, North West England is a diverse region. The south of the region is home to Manchester and Liverpool. To the north you will find the Lake District and Lancashire Pennines.

Exciting Books



Geographical Skills:

- ❑ Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate different regions, physical and human features, and infrastructure within the North West
- ❑ Use photographs to compare and contrast Manchester to the Lake District.
- ❑ Use of 4 figure grid references, OS symbols, keys and the eight compass directions.

