



## Geography- San Diego

This topic compares our locality with a small area of a contrasting non-European country. By exploring San Diego children will understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the contrasting human and physical geography between Bolton/Blackburn and San Diego.

### Key Skills

To study and identify geographical similarities and differences between Belmont and San Diego.

To identify weather patterns in Belmont and in San Diego, considering their relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles.

To use basic geographical vocabulary to compare:

key physical features, including: beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, valley, vegetation, season and weather.

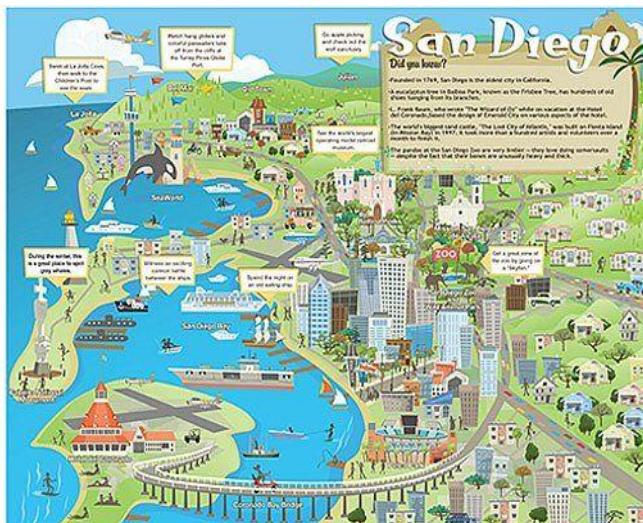
key human features, including: city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour and shop.

### Key Vocabulary

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| <b>continent</b>    | A very large area of land that includes all the islands with it.                                                                   |
| <b>ocean</b>        | A large area of sea.                                                                                                               |
| <b>population</b>   | The number of people that live in a particular place.                                                                              |
| <b>landmark</b>     | A well-known building or place.                                                                                                    |
| <b>temperate</b>    | Mild weather. Neither very hot nor very cold.                                                                                      |
| <b>capital city</b> | An important city, often where the government works.                                                                               |
| <b>currency</b>     | The money used in a country.                                                                                                       |
| <b>cuisine</b>      | Traditional food of a country.                                                                                                     |
| <b>aerial</b>       | Seen from above.                                                                                                                   |
| <b>compass</b>      | A piece of equipment that tells you what direction you are travelling in. The main compass points are north, south, east and west. |
| <b>climate</b>      | The usual weather conditions of an area.                                                                                           |
| <b>equator</b>      | An imaginary line drawn around the middle of Earth, dividing it into the Northern and Southern Hemispheres.                        |

### Sticky knowledge:

1. Can identify Bolton/ Blackburn on a map of the UK.
2. Can identify San Diego on a map of America.
3. Can find the UK and North/South America on a globe.
4. Know that San Diego is a city 15 miles from Mexico, with 25% of the population speaking Spanish.
5. Know that San Diego is in the state of California (in North America) and is very diverse.
6. San Diego is a coastal city with a mild year-round climate. Belmont is a rural village which has warm summers and cool winters, it is often wet.



### Key reading:

