



LKS2 Geography Knowledge and Skills Organiser

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Key Knowledge and Skills

Where is Greece?



Greece is in the continent of Europe. It has a border with Albania, Turkey, Macedonia and Bulgaria. Seas surrounding Greece include the Ionian Sea, the Aegean Sea and the Mediterranean Sea. Greece has a large mainland, two smaller areas of land and many small islands. For example, Crete, Rhodes and Corfu.

Human Geography of Greece

The capital city of Greece is Athens which has a population of 3.1 million. The total population of Greece is 10.7 million. The currency used is the Euro (€) and the native language spoken is Greek.



The most recognisable Greek food is the olive. Other examples are feta cheese and spinach and cheese pie. Greece is a popular tourist destination because of its warm weather and beautiful scenery.

Physical Geography of Greece

Greece has a warm and sunny climate with hot, dry summers and mild, rainy winters. The average temperature of Athens in August is 32°C.

Greece is one of the most mountainous countries in Europe. The highest mountain in Greece is Mount Olympus which is 2,917m high. Greece's longest river is Haliakmon which is 185 miles long. Most volcanoes in Greece are extinct but there are some active volcanoes including Santorini Volcano, Methana Volcano, Nisyros Volcano and Milos Volcano.



Mount Olympus, Greece

Geographical Skills and Fieldwork

Use maps to:

- Locate and plot countries and capital cities in Europe.
- Locate Greece, discuss where it is and what it looks like on a map.
- Locate and plot mountains and mountain ranges.
- Locate and plot rivers.
- Locate and plot the capital city of Athens and other major cities.

Discuss the similarities and differences of the UK's and Greece's human and physical characteristics. Develop my locational and place knowledge of the UK and Greece.

Key Vocabulary

Word	Definition
country	A country is land that is controlled by a single government.
continent	One of Earth's seven main divisions of land.
city	The largest type of settlement, containing lots of buildings and lots of people.
capital city	A city where a country's government is based.
map	A map is a picture of a place that is usually drawn from an above viewpoint. There are lots of symbols on maps.
river	The path that water takes as it flows downhill towards the ocean.
mountain	A landform that rises high above its surroundings. The top of a mountain is called its peak.
volcano	A very deep hole in the Earth's top layer that can let out hot gases, ash and lava.
currency	The money that a country uses, e.g. pound (£).
tourism	An industry that drives people to travel for recreation and leisure.
population	The number of living people that live together in the same place.
language	The method of human communication which differs between country to country.
human features	Human features are things that have been built by people like houses, roads and bridges.
physical features	Physical features are natural and they would be here even if there were no people around like seas, mountains and rivers.

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