

Launch

The children will receive a postcard from Barnaby Bear's uncle, who has been to Cape Town. Barnaby Bear will challenge them to find out about Cape Town and compare it with Bournemouth.



Is Cape Town like Bournemouth?



Key dates

Home Learning Deadline
Monday 13th May 2024



Topic Overview

As geographers, the children will study a postcard that has been sent to Barnaby Bear. They will look at the flag and the facts that Uncle Bob has included in his postcard and ask questions to try and identify where in the world he has been. Once they have discovered that Barnaby Bear's uncle has visited Cape Town, and that this is in South Africa, they will locate it on a world map, looking at the continent it is in and the countries and oceans surrounding it. They will ask geographical questions such as; What is this place like? What or who will I see in this place? What do people do in this place? Using aerial photos, the children will learn about geographical features in Cape Town, such as Table Mountain, Robben Island and Boulders Beach (including its penguin colony). The children will look at similarities and differences between the physical and human features of Cape Town and Bournemouth, therefore comparing the two coastal locations. Whilst doing this, they will also explore the native animals and plants that live in England and South Africa.

Key Vocabulary

physical feature
human feature
continent
mountain
hemisphere
climate
temperature
similar
different
native

Learning Conversations

- * Cape Town is in South Africa which is on the continent of Africa and is in the Southern Hemisphere. Whereas Bournemouth is in England, which is in the continent of Europe and is in the Northern Hemisphere.
- * Cape Town and Bournemouth have relatively similar climates. However, Cape Town is a little warmer and drier.
- * Cape Town has its summer during December to April.
- * The King Protea is the national flower of South Africa and the Tudor rose is the national flower of England.
- * The national animal of South Africa is the springbok; England's national animal is the lion.

ENQUIRY

The children will ask and answer questions about Cape Town and what is it like there. They will research what you can do and see there. They will compare it to Bournemouth and investigate the similarities and differences. What human features do Cape Town and Bournemouth both have? What physical features can be seen in each place?



Home Learning Topic Challenge

Choose your own location to compare with Bournemouth - you could choose anywhere in the world. What is similar to Bournemouth and what is different? You can display your findings however you choose, ready to share with the rest of the class. E.g poster, fact card, labelled photo.

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Did you know?

- * Cape Town is one of South Africa's most important centres of industry.
- * Cape Town is the legislative capital of South Africa.
- * It is the third most populous city in South Africa after Johannesburg and Durban. That means it has lots of people living in it.
- * A large African penguin colony lives at Boulders Beach, Cape Town.
- * Cape Town was the first city outside of Europe to see its beaches certified as Blue Flag, meaning they meet high environmental and quality standards.



Landing

The children will use the information they have learnt during this topic to create a non-fiction book all about Cape Town for the school library. They will include its similarities and differences to Bournemouth.

