



I already know...

England is split up into 48 parts or **counties**. **South Gloucestershire** and **Bristol** are **counties** in the **South West of England**. Bradley Stoke is the name of our town. Bristol is the name of the closest city.

A **green space** is land with vegetation or water in an urban area e.g. play areas, allotments.

A **landmark** is a building or place that is easily recognised e.g. war memorial.

A **4 figure** grid reference tells you an exact location on a map.

Buying and selling things is called **trade**. Trade is an important way for countries to make money and has been happening across the world for hundreds of years. **Goods** can be transported around the world in container ships from port to port and by aeroplane.

Bristol is a **port**, which was built because of its location by a bridge on the River Avon, close to the River Severn Estuary and the Channel.

Historically Bristol has been a successful port for **exploration** and **trade**, for items such as cloth, wool and spices, internationally. It was part of the **Slave Trade**. It is also a city known for its **aeroplane company and space development**.

Bradley Stoke is a modern settlement built in 1987. It is bordered by three motorways and is 6 miles North of Bristol. It is predominately residential.



Essential Knowledge and Vocabulary

Local means in a particular area. Yate is a town that is local to Bradley Stoke. Bristol is a city that is local to Bradley Stoke. **Urban** means belonging to, or relating to, a town or city. **Rural** means any area that isn't urban – belonging to, or relating to, the countryside.

How is land used in our local town and city?

Land use is the specific purpose the land is used for. E.g. **agricultural** (farming including soil, crops and animals), **residential** (where people are residents e.g. house, flats), **recreational** (where people carry out activity for enjoyment e.g. leisure centre), **commercial** (land that is used to create a profit e.g. shops), **industrial** (for industry e.g. factories) and **transport** (e.g. roads).

Growing and taking care of trees in forests, especially in order to obtain wood, is **forestry**.

Biodiversity means having a wide range of different species in an ecosystem as possible. **Conservation** means preventing the wasteful use of a resource including the range of organisms. Some land in the UK is protected so that it is not built on. This is to protect the land or species who live there. **Brownfield sites** are derelict/unused land that has already been built on. **Greenfield sites** are sites that have never been built on.

Bradley Stoke was built on some **greenfield sites** and in the planning it was decided that many areas should be **preserved**, such as Savages Wood. Now Bradley Stoke is an Urban settlement, there has to be careful consideration when planning development nearby.

What is the economic activity in our local town and city?

Economy describes how a country or place is doing in producing and making goods, and how much money it has. The amount a country sells and makes is called **economic activity**.

Goods are the things that countries can sell – gold, silver, milk, fish.

Supply is how many of a good or service a place has. Demand is how much of a good or service people want.

Selling goods to countries is called **exporting**. This happens when they can't make them themselves or they are cheaper or better quality.

Buying things from another country is called **importing**. This might happen if they are cheaper or can't be made e.g. oranges can't be grown in the UK due to the weather.

In Bradley Stoke there are many **business parks**, where there are businesses for services and goods such as RAC, Aviva, Pukka Herbs, HSS Hire and The Hilton hotel. The Ministry of Defence is nearby. Many people work in these businesses or in the services – e.g. cafes – that support them. Others commute to nearby cities using the three motorways.

In Bristol, most employment is through **public services** or business and **financial services**. The surviving **commercial docks** of the Port of Bristol at Portbury and Avonmouth is the 10th largest in England. Its main trades are **forest, products, cards, containers, bulk** (coal, grain...), **liquid** (petrol, fruit juice...), metals and fresh produce. Tobacco is also a big export.



Coherence – Prior Knowledge

KS1

- Geography is the study of places
- The location of our school in a town and their own house within the local area.
- Physical and human features of the local area
- Physical and human features of Bristol.

LKS2

- The land use patterns in Bradley Stoke.
- Four-figure grid references on OS maps
- Comparison of Bristol to Krakow



Critical thinking and compassion

What is it like to be a person who uses the land for...? How does land use impact upon the environment and different living things? Should greenfield land every be built on?

What are the advantages and disadvantages of living in Bristol or Bradley Stoke? How do the features of each place make the most of it for the people who live there?



Creativity

Consider how we make the most of the place we share at school – our school environment. How can we make it better? What actions can you take?



Communicate

Work in groups to carry out fieldwork in the local area regarding land use and economic activity, following the enquiry cycle.



Collaborate and connect with the community

Who do we know who can share their expertise? How can we involve local businesses/community members in our project – financial or physical support? Share the project in the local paper.



Coherence – Connections between subjects

Cycle A

Be Safe

Changing Me

Science

Animals including Humans

Computing

Data

PE

Athletics

Art

Digital Art
David Hockney

Spanish

Los Verbos Irregulares
Irregular verbs

RE Week

Living



Enrichment

- <https://www.3dgeography.co.uk/map-of-the-uk>
- <http://www.toporopa.eu/en>
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zx72pv4> (human geography)
- <https://www.oddizzi.com/teachers/explore-the-world/country-close-up/united-kingdom/economy/>
- <http://www.kypwest.org.uk/>
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z2dmn39/revision/5>
- <https://www.sustainablelearning.com/resource/my-green-city>



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