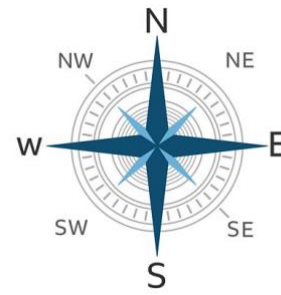
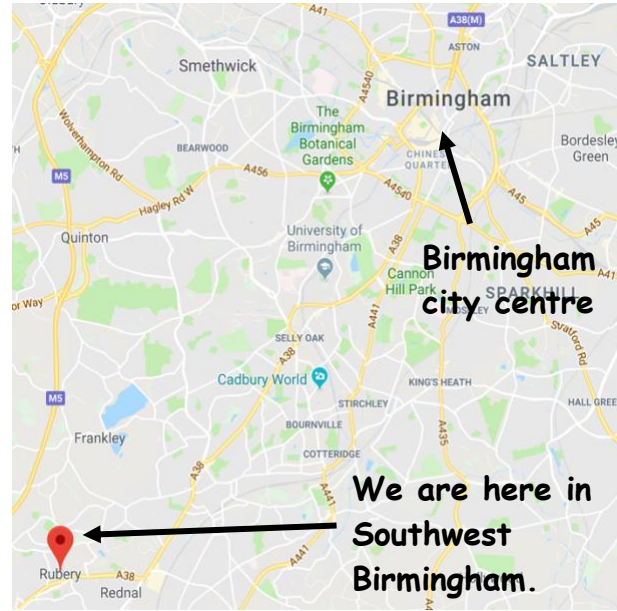


# Where is Birmingham?



## Year 1 Geography/History Topic 3



A compass rose

Dear Parents,

Our next topic is *Our Local Area*. Please help your children to prepare for this topic by helping them to learn the key words (in purple) and the facts on this sheet.

There are some homework activities on the back of this sheet. Your child can complete these at any time. Your child's teacher would love to see what they have created.

Thank you for your support.

Kind regards - Year 1 teachers

### Key vocabulary

**birds-eye-view** - When you are looking down on something from high above.

**green space** - An area where grass and other plants grow e.g. a park, playing fields, gardens or play areas.

**human feature** - Something made by humans e.g. a church

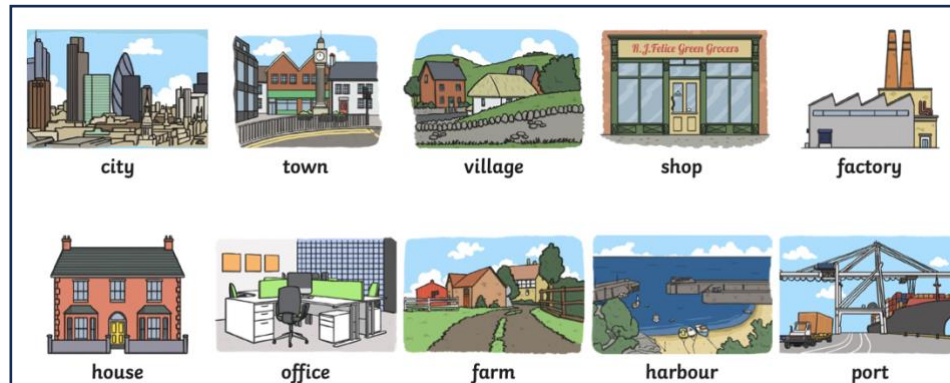
**location** - Where something is.

**map** - A representation of the whole or part of an area. This is drawn from a **birds-eye-view**.

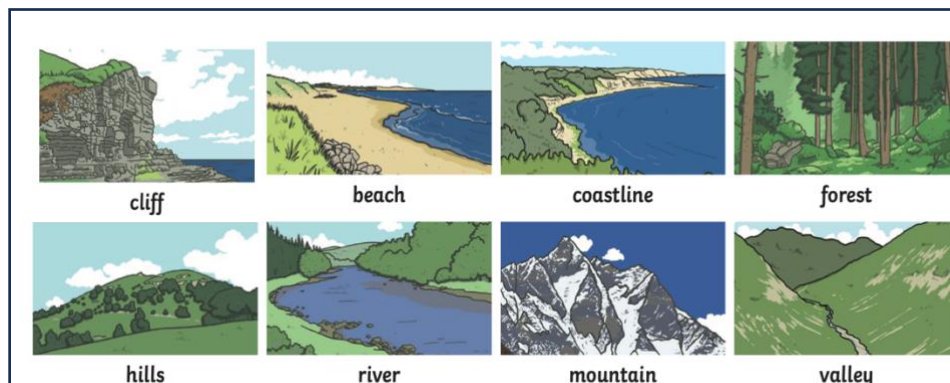
**physical feature** - A naturally occurring feature e.g. a river or a hill.

**suburb** - A part of a city.

**redevelopment** - Rebuilding a part of a village, town or city.



Human features



Physical features

The use of land changes over time. This is Rubery Train Station in 1950. It closed in 1966.

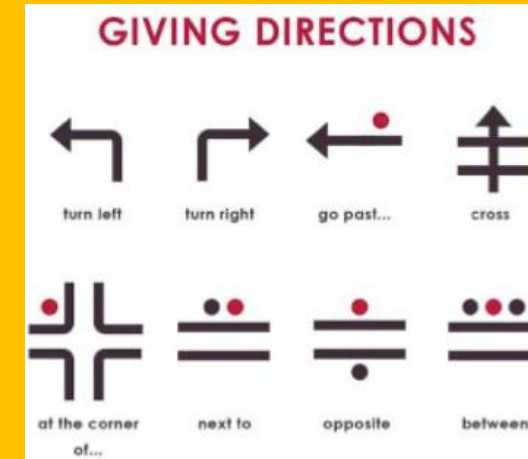
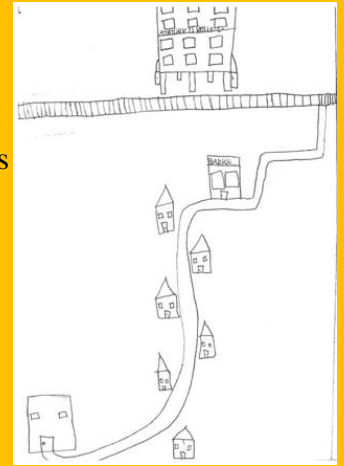


This photo was taken in 2014. The station has been demolished and the platform has been overgrown with trees and bushes.

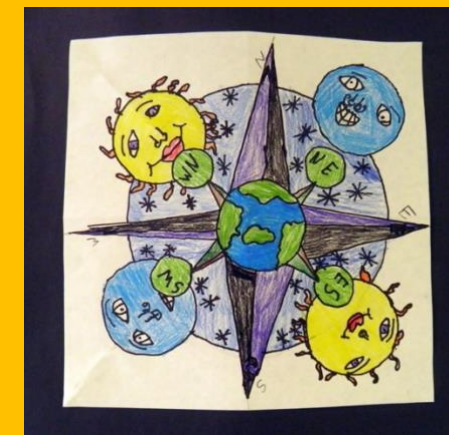


### Homework Ideas

- (1) Create a model or draw a picture of a building in Rubery. Ask an adult to take a photo of it to help you.
- (2) Draw a map showing your route to school.
- (3) Write some instructions describing how to go from one place to another. Use the words below to help you.



- (4) Create your own compass rose.



- (5) Draw a birds-eye view of a room in your house.



What features can you find on this aerial photo of our local area?

