

Dear Parents,

Our next topic is journeys (migration). 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 6 teachers

JOURNEYS and migration

Year 6
Geography/History
Topic 3



Vocabulary for Journeys

citizenship - When you are a citizen of a particular country.

Commonwealth - A group of countries that were once part of the British Empire.

demographics - The study of populations

emigration - When you leave a country to settle in another.

illegal immigration - When people move to another country without following the correct laws or they stay in a country when they are not allowed to.

immigration - When you enter a new country to live there.

migrant - A person who moves from one place to another.

migration - The movement of a group of people or animals from one place to another.

permanent - lasting for a very long time or forever.

population - How many people live in place.

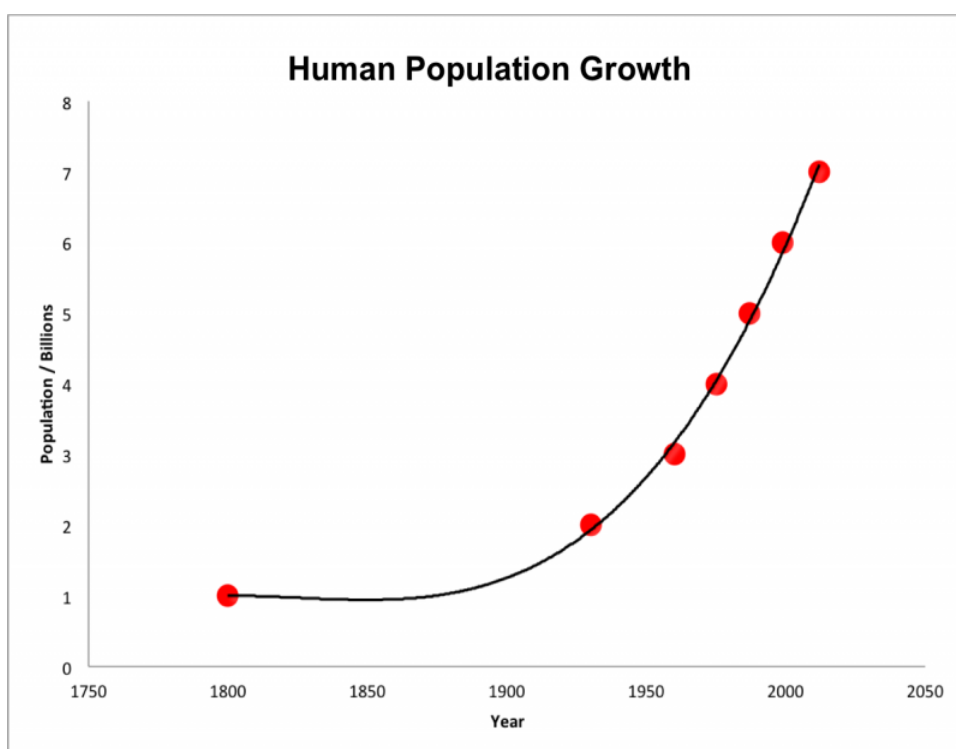
population density - How many people live in an area usually measured in km² or m².

racism - When people treat others differently as a result of where they are from or their skin colour.

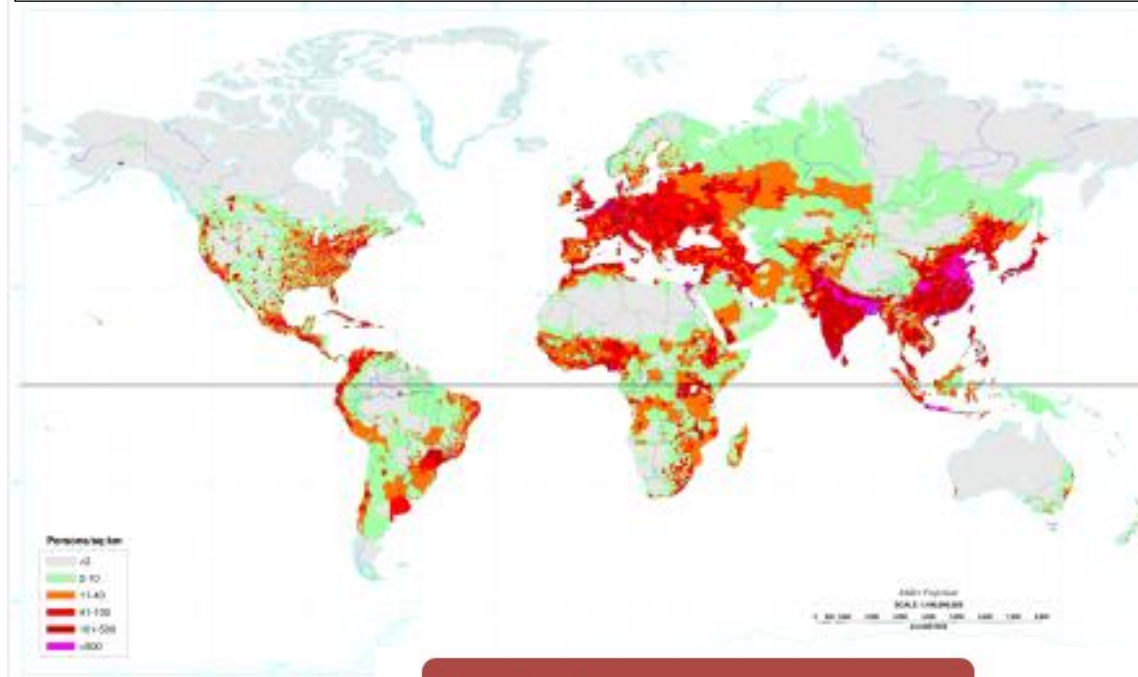
temporary - For a fixed period of time

Population means the number of people living in a particular area. The study of human population is called **demographics**.

The world's population is growing rapidly. The graph below shows the population growth of the Earth over the last 200 years.



Population density is the measure of the amount of people living in a certain area. The image below shows the **population density** of the world. **Pink/Red = Lots of people Green = few people and grey hardly any people.** The red and pink areas are usually where there are lots of towns and cities.



Migration means the movement of people.

Immigration

- Immigration means the movement of people to a country.

Emigration

- Emigration means the movement of people from a country.

Population Growth of the UK

1500	1600	1700	1800	1900	2000	2020	2040
2.8 million	4.1 million	5.2 million	7.7 million	30 million	49.1 million	67.8 million	73.1 million???

The Windrush

During World War II, many people from the **Commonwealth** fought and died for Great Britain against the Axis powers. In 1948, the British Nationality Act gave 800 million people in the commonwealth the right to claim British **citizenship**.

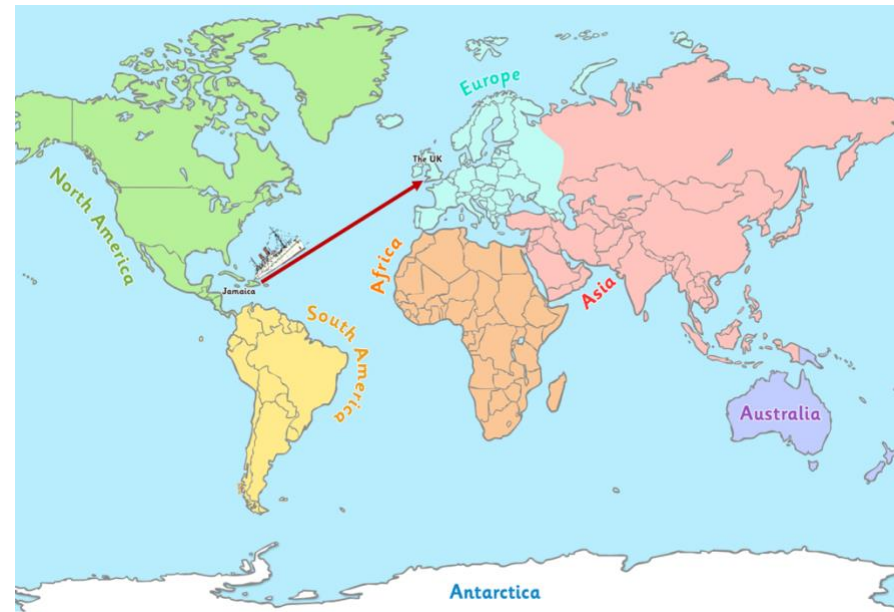
Britain needed workers since many men had died during World War II.

The National Health Service (NHS) was launched in 1948, giving free medical care to all. It advertised in **Commonwealth** countries to attract new workers.

From the 1950 into the 1960s many people left their homes in the Caribbean (particularly Jamaica) and decided to move to Britain. These people had many skills that Britain needed.

The first main group of these people arrived on the ship HMT Empire Windrush (HMT stands for His Majesty's Transport) in June 1948.

Some of these people experienced **racism** due to the colour of their skin when they arrived.



A map showing the journey of HMT Windrush

A photo of the HMT Empire Windrush



Illegal Immigration

This is when people do not follow the normal laws to allow them to move and live in another country.

Each year many people, often from parts of Africa and Asia try to enter Europe illegally.

They often do this by trying to cross Mediterranean Sea in boats. The migrants often pay the owners of these boats a large amount of money for a space on them. These boats are often however very overcrowded and the people on them often do not have life jackets. Sometimes these boats capsize or sink, and this can lead to people tragically dying.

Although this journey is very risky, people are often willing to risk their lives in search of a better life for themselves and their families by doing this.



A photo of an overcrowded boat in the Mediterranean Sea

Homework Ideas

- (1) Make a model of HMT Empire Windrush.
- (2) Draw a map of the world and label the countries which are part of the commonwealth.
- (3) Draw a graph showing how many the number of people living in the UK has changed since 1500.
- (4) Make your own British passport.
- (5) We are a No Outsiders school. Everybody is welcome here. Create an anti-racism poster.
- (6) Design a poster encouraging people to migrate to the UK.
- (7) Imagine that you are on an overcrowded boat in the Mediterranean Sea hoping to reach Europe. Write a diary entry explaining your fears on the boat and your hopes for the future when you reach Europe.
- (8) Create a model suitcase. Put inside the suitcase 5 special items that you would take with you if you had to leave your house in an emergency and you were migrating to live in a new country.



Temporary migration

A **temporary migrant** normally enters a country for a fixed period of time usually for work.

Permanent Migration

Permanent migration occurs when someone moves to another country with the intention of making a new country their home.

Reasons for **migration** are often referred to as push and pull factors.

Pull Factors (attracting you to a new country)	Push Factors (reasons to leave your current country)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peace/safety • Education • Health • Food availability • Jobs • Money • Better life 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natural disasters • War • Discrimination (usually because of colour, race, ethnicity or religion) • Poverty • Lack of jobs