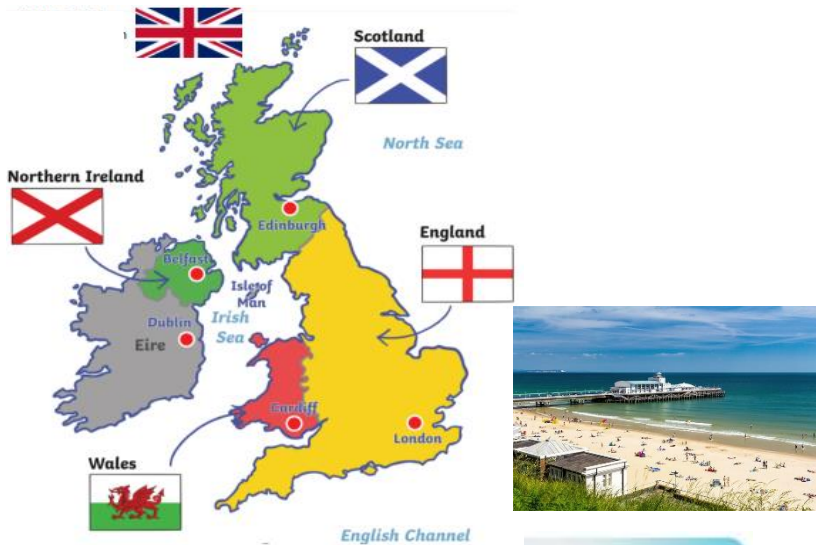


# Coastline



## RNLI

The Royal National Lifeboat Institution, or RNLI, is a charity that saves lives at sea. There are 238 RNLI lifeboat stations around the UK coastline. Each station has boats and special equipment that the crew use to help people in trouble in the water. Over 8000 people are helped by RNLI volunteers every year.



## Physical features

Physical features are naturally formed. Humans haven't made them. Rain, wind and the sea can change physical features over time.



## Human features

Human features are those that have been made by humans. There are many human features on the coastline such as shops, roads and piers.

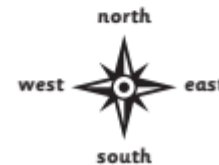


## Maps

Maps are used to help people find their way from one place to another or find out where different places are. Physical and human features are marked on a map with symbols.



People will often use a compass to tell them which direction they are travelling. The main points on a compass are north, south, east and west.



## Key vocabulary:

coast	The point where land meets the sea
cave	An underground chamber in a cliff or hillside
cliff	A steep rock face
dune	A hill of sand near the ocean/desert
port	A town/city with a harbour or access for ships to load
harbour	A place on the coast where ships can moor/be sheltered
bay	A part of the coast where the land curves inwards
lighthouse	A tower containing a beacon (light) guiding and warning ships at sea
tide	The rising and falling of the sea
rock pool	A pool formed between rocks as the tide goes out