

The Local Area Year 5 Knowledge Organiser

Key Vocabulary	Definition
Urbanisation	this is the process by which an increasingly larger proportion of a population lives in urban areas rather than in rural areas
Valley	a lower area between hills through which a river or stream may flow
Confluence	where a tributary stream flows into a larger stream or river
Landscape	is the visible features of the land its landforms (physical) and landmarks (human)
Detached house	a house not joined to other houses
Retail	this is the selling of goods or products to the public from shops (or stalls)
Semi-detached house	two houses sharing a common wall
Contours	lines on a map joining points of equal height

Map Scale	Maps are representations of the real world on paper (or electronically). The scale is the ratio of the distance on the map to the distance on the ground and it shows what 1 cm on the map represents in the real world. In other words, it's the comparison of distance on paper to the distance on the ground.
OS Maps	Ordnance Survey maps come in different scales. They have a blue grid of 1km by 1km squares which are numbered and can be used to give a grid reference. The vertical lines are called eastings as they increase from the west to east. The horizontal lines are called northings , as they increase northwards.
Contours	Contours are lines that join points of equal height above sea level. The closer the contours, the steeper the slope.

Rubery & Rednal	View from Rubery Hill	Empire Cinema, Rubery Great Park
		