

The West Midlands Year 5 Knowledge Organiser

Key Vocabulary	Definition
Region	an area or part of a country or the world having definable characteristics but not always fixed boundaries.
Conurbation	where several settlements have grown into a larger urban area.
Urbanisation	the increase in the proportion of people living in towns and cities.
Suburb	an area on the edge of a large town or city, where people who work in the town or city often live.
Population	the number of people or inhabitants in a particular region or country.
Residential	an area of land used for housing.
Central Business District	the most important business, financial and commercial part of a city. It is usually found in the city centre.
Industrialisation	the process of change where a society based on agriculture develops into one based on industry.

The Midlands	The Midlands is the central part of England. The Midlands region is bordered by Northern and Southern England. The Midlands were important during the 18th and 19th century Industrial Revolution.
The West Midlands	This is a metropolitan county and combined authority area in western-central England with an estimated population of 2,939,927 in 2020, making it the second most populous county in England after Greater London. It has seven metropolitan boroughs: the cities of Birmingham, Coventry and Wolverhampton, and the boroughs of Dudley, Sandwell, Solihull and Walsall.
The Black Country	The Black Country is an area of the West Midlands county, in the United Kingdom covering most of the Metropolitan Boroughs of Dudley, Sandwell, and some minor parts of Walsall. Dudley and Tipton are generally considered to be the centre.

