

Topic:

Local Area

Year:

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Term:

Autumn 2

Key Knowledge

- Malvern is a town in the county of Worcestershire.
- Worcestershire is within the West Midlands region of England
- Compass directions – North, East South and West and the mid-points NE, SW, SE, NW
- Malvern is a collection of small towns and villages – Malvern Link, Great Malvern, Leigh Sinton, Barnards Green etc.
- Worcester is the nearest city
- The River Severn runs through Worcestershire and is the longest river in Great Britain.
- Transport links include bus services, 2 train stations – Malvern Link and Great Malvern. Nearest airport is in Birmingham.
- Population of Malvern Hills area – approx. 78, 000
- Malvern is a spa town and is considered an area of outstanding natural beauty.
- The town grew enormously in Victorian times due to its famous water – the water cure. Also known for making the Morgan car.
- Settlements – Malvern consists of the urban areas Malvern Link and Great Malvern but is surrounded by many rural areas including common land, farms and villages.
- Services – many shops, post offices, schools, stations, town council, tourist information office, police station
- Entertainment – Malvern Theatre, cinema, library, Priory Park, Splash Leisure Centre
- Climate – maritime
- Evidence found on the hills show that the earliest settlements date back to the Bronze and Iron Ages
- The British Camp is an Iron Age hill fort and is the most

Key Vocabulary

Malvern



Worcestershire

Region/County/Town

England



United Kingdom



Rural



Urban



Human and Physical Features

Population



Services

Residential/Commercial

Agricultural/Industrial

Secondary Sources

- Books about Malvern
- Newspapers e.g. Malvern Gazette
- Leaflets. Postcards maps etc. about our local area.

Key People

Edward Elgar – world famous composer

CS Lewis – author of The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe.

J.R.R. Tolkien – author of Lord of the Rings.

Primary Sources

- Maps
- Photographs/aerial shots
- Population data and statistics

Dates

- 1000 BC – Bronze Age settlements on the hills.
- Victorian period – Malvern developed as a spa town based on its spring waters.