

Lesson 2

WALT describe and understand types of settlement



Describe a geography word
for your partner to guess.

3 hp for each correct guess!

site

dwelling

settlement

situation

Extra challenge:

nucleated

linear

dispersed

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Talk to a parent, sibling or mindmap some of your own ideas.

Let's think about size of settlement.

How many types of settlement can you think of?

What makes them different from each other?

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Settlements can be ranked according to their population size and the level of services available.

Geographers look for patterns.

The bigger the settlement, the more services it has.



So how did you do on the vocabulary quiz earlier?

- isolated dwelling often in rural areas *few buildings*
- hamlet *tiny collection of houses, sometimes around farms with no shops* <100
- village *small with few shops, place of worship and maybe school* 100-1,000
- town *medium-sized with shopping centres and factories* 1,000-100,000
- city (-ies) *large with lots of services and sometimes a cathedral* 100,000-1million
- metropolis *city and surrounding towns that have started to merge* 1-3million
- conurbation *group of large cities and suburbs with strong links* 3-10million
- megalopolis *conurbations join to become one large urban area* 10million+

What is Worthing?

London?

What about Brighton and Hove?

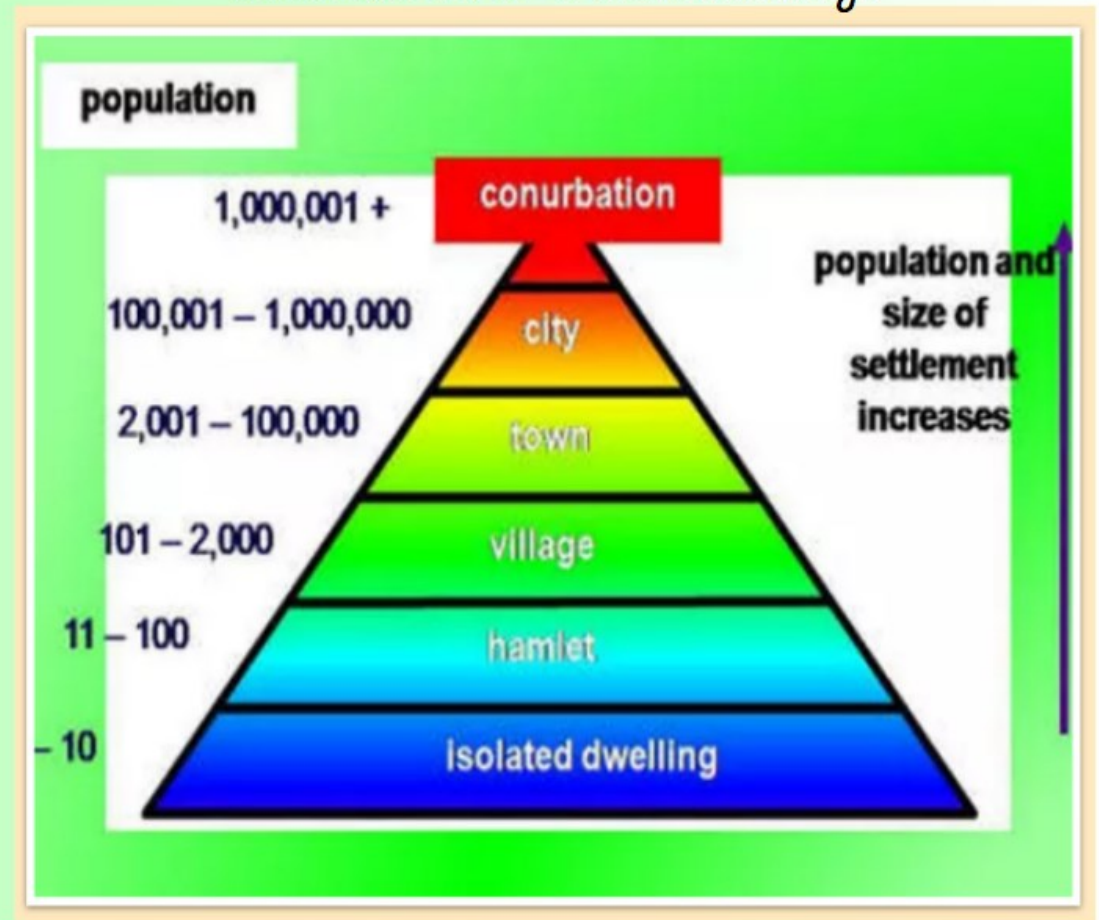
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This pyramid shows settlement hierarchy.



Link to website
exploring settlement
heirarchy

a hierarchy: a system in which people or things are organised into different levels of importance from highest to lowest.



Another pattern about settlements: as they become bigger and more important, they are fewer and further between!

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Position in a settlement hierarchy can also depend on how far people will travel to use the services in the settlement. If people travel further, the place becomes more important and ranks higher in settlement hierarchy.

Different settlements have different levels of infrastructure.



Click on this link and scroll down to What will you find in a village, town or city?

As a class, which services do you think you will find?

Make a prediction then hover mouse over settlement to see answers.

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Use the sheet to write a description of each type of settlement, including information about population size and services available



Include real-life examples of settlement types and explain how you know



Include information about patterns within the settlement hierarchy

Conurbation

City

Large town

Small town


Village

Hamlet

Dwelling

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Make a quick mindmap or list of any new geography vocabulary or ideas you have learned in your first two lessons



We are Year 6
geographers!