



Geography Topic: Contrasting the UK (London) with Malawi

Year 2

Term 3

**Key Learning:**

- There are seven continents, including Africa and Europe, and five oceans.
- I live in the UK. The UK is in the continent of Europe.
- London is the capital city of the UK.
- Malawi is an example of a country that can be found in the continent of Africa.
- I can use aerial photographs to compare London and Nairobi. What is the same? What is different?  
I can use aerial photographs to compare Africa and Europe. What is the same? What is different?
- I can use an atlas to find Malawi and the UK and give instructions on how to use an atlas.
- Compare the climate in Malawi and UK throughout the year.

**Key Facts**

The United Kingdom is in Europe.

Malawi is in Africa.

Europe and Africa are continents.

The United Kingdom and Malawi are countries.

Both the UK and Malawi are made up of villages, towns and cities.

In Malawi, 50.7% live below the poverty line. In United Kingdom, however, that number is 15.0%.

Kenya and the UK have different climates. This means that the weather is generally different.

Chichewa is the official language of Malawi.



The UK



Europe



Malawi



Africa

**Key Vocabulary and Knowledge**

Airport	a place where aeroplanes land and take off
Capital city	the city where the government sits.
London	is the capital city of England and the UK.
City	a large town.
Climate	weather that is typical of a place
Continent	a very large area of land that consists of many countries. Europe is a continent.
Country	an area of land that is controlled by its own government.
Farm	an area of land used to produce crops or to breed animals and livestock.
Hill	a naturally raised area of land, which is not as high as a mountain.
Hotel	a place that provides somewhere to sleep and eat for guests.
House	a building designed for people to live in.
Human Features	features of land that have been impacted by human activity.

Humid	a climate that is very hot and damp
Landscape	everything you can see when you look across an area of land, including hills, rivers, buildings, trees, and plants.
Physical Features	natural features of land
Rainfall	the amount of rain that falls in a time period
Seasons	main periods of the year that can have their own weather conditions
Temperature	a measure of how hot or cold something is
Tourist	a person who is visiting a place for pleasure and interest, especially when they are on holiday.
Town	a large group of houses, shops and buildings where people live and work. Towns are larger than villages but smaller than cities.
Village	a small group of houses, perhaps with a few shops.
Weather	the condition of the atmosphere in one area at a particular time, for example if it is raining, hot, or wind.

### Where is Malawi?

Malawi is a landlocked country in central Africa. It consists of three distinct regions; the Northern region which is mountainous, the Southern region which is mostly flat and low, and the Central region which is an even plateau - this is where most of the food is grown. It lies next to Zambia, but is separated by Lake Malawi (the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest lake in Africa) from Tanzania and Mozambique. Its capital city is Lilongwe, and is named after the nearby Lilongwe River.



The Malawi flag

### What is the climate like in Malawi compared to the UK?

The temperature of Malawi gets hotter at lower altitudes, so the South is very hot (up to 40°C) and the North is more moderate (around 14°C). The average UK temperature can range between 4-17°C). The rainy season comes from November to March, with a hot climate and lots of heavy storms. Then through the rest of the year there is only a fine mist blanketing the highlands and very rarely any rainfall at all.



The UK flag