

Spain and Catalonia

Geography

Year 3/4

Lesson 6 of 7

Learning Objective		Resources	
To find out about the climate of Spain		Slides Worksheet 6A/6B/6C Climate Map of Spain Climate Zone Fact Cards (FSD? activity only) Statement Cards (FSD? activity only) Climate Description and City Cards (FSD? activity only)	
Teaching Input			
<ul style="list-style-type: none">What is physical geography? What is human geography? Think, pair and share your ideas. In pairs, children describe both the physical and human geography of Spain.What is the difference between weather and climate? Children to think, pair and share their ideas. Explain that weather is how we describe the conditions over a short period of time, such as a few hours or days. Climate is how we describe the conditions over a longer period of time, such as months or years.Explain that there are three main climate zones in Spain. Look at their locations on a map, and discuss how they are different.			
Main Activity			
<u>Lower ability:</u> Using Worksheet 6A and the Climate Map of Spain, children identify and colour in the three main climate zones and complete the key. They then need to complete sentences about each climate zone.	<u>Middle ability:</u> Using Worksheet 6B and the Climate Map of Spain, children identify and colour in the three main climate zones and make a key. They then need to write at least one sentence to describe each climate zone.	<u>Higher ability:</u> Using Worksheet 6C and the Climate Map of Spain, children identify, draw and label the three main climate zones, and create a key. They then need to answer questions about the climate zones.	
Fancy something different...?			
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Sort the children into pairs for this activity. Give them the pre-cut Climate Fact Cards with details about the average temperature, rainfall and sunshine hours for a city in each climate zone (Madrid, Barcelona, Bilbao). Children are to use this information to sort the Statement Cards into three piles, according to what city and climate zone they are. (Each City Card should be matched to one Climate Description Card, six Statement Cards, and three Climate Zone Fact Cards).			
Plenary		Assessment Questions	
Show children the Climate Map of Spain and ask them to describe each zone to a partner. Which climate zone would you prefer to live in and why?		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Do children understand the difference between weather and climate?Can children identify the different climate zones on a map of Spain?Can children describe the different climate zones of Spain?	