



Guidelines for the use of 'Finding the premiership rugby teams'

Activity title:	Finding the premiership rugby teams
Curriculum area:	Geography
NC objectives:	Geography: 2c), 3c), 6a) & 7a)
Main learning objective	To use maps and atlases accurately and to understand the hierarchy of settlements in a geographical context

Timing	Lesson plan ideas, activities and resource sheets
INTRODUCTION 20 minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss settlements in England and Wales and name the smallest settlement as a hamlet. Work up in size and make a list on the board with the children suggesting the answers (Hamlet, Village, Town, City, Capital City, County, Region, Country, Continent and The World). Think of examples of each classification. Discuss what constitutes a place being a city and discuss the idea of needing a cathedral, despite many places with cathedrals not being a city and several cities being a city without a cathedral, eg Birmingham and Belfast. <p>...Continued</p>



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INTRODUCTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure the children know the county they live in and identify this on the sheet '4.1a The County we live in'. • Explain that within cricket, all counties have county cricket teams, but that there are only 18 counties in England and Wales that play professional cricket, eg, Gloucestershire. Relate this to rugby and explain that rugby is played professionally by towns and cities, eg, Gloucester and not as a county.
MAIN ACTIVITY 30 minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide the pupils with the worksheet '4.1b Finding the premiership rugby teams' and they must locate the towns and cities using an atlas or other secondary resources. • Early finishers could add some of the League one rugby clubs or possibly Welsh rugby clubs.
PLENARY 10 minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Show the worksheet '4.1b Finding the premiership rugby teams' and go through the answers. • Conclude the lesson by identifying where Twickenham rugby ground, Murrayfield rugby ground and the Millennium Stadium are located and explain that they are the major international rugby venues.

Suggested extension activities or cross curricular links:

- In ICT use the Premiership rugby team websites to look at each team. Set the pupils the challenge of finding which rugby teams the current England squad play for and also other international/overseas players.
- Challenge the pupils to find the name of the grounds where each rugby team plays, eg, Gloucester play at Kingsholm.