

Travelling
KS3 and 4
Tuesday - Humanities

Settlements

Today you are going to learn about different types of settlements and why settlements were placed in certain locations.

Match the key words to its definition.

Settlement	An area of land which is mainly countryside. This includes hamlets, villages and small towns	
Hamlet	A very small settlement without any services. Only 5 or 6 families may live here	
Village	Where the buildings are grouped together, usually around a road junction or river crossing	
Town	A settlement with the same services as village, plus, a supermarket, banks, leisure centre, secondary school and bus and/or train station. Up to 100,000 people can live here	
City	An area of land which is mainly covered in buildings. This includes large towns and villages	
Urban	A place where people live	
Rural	Where the buildings follow a line shape. This could be along a valley floor or a railway line	
Dispersed	A small settlement with a church, pub, Post Office, primary school and general store. Several hundred people can live here	
Nucleated	Where the buildings are spread out from each other	
Linear	A large settlement with a cathedral, government buildings, museums, galleries, theatres and banking headquarters. As many as half a million people can live here	

Are these statements true or false?

- A settlement is where over one million people live
- A hamlet has no services
- A rural area is mainly covered with buildings
- This a dispersed settlement



- A town has a cathedral, government buildings and bank headquarters
- A village can have up to several hundred people living in it
- A city is at the bottom of the settlement hierarchy
- As you clime the settlement hierarchy the size of the settlement and the population grows while the number of services decreases

Each settlement was built for a purpose. Match these purposes to the correct explanation and picture.

Agricultural

A coastal area where cargo is shipped from and to



Commercial

Land use where the predominant use is for housing



Industrial

Land where the primary use is for factories and employment



Port

Land where the primary use is for farming

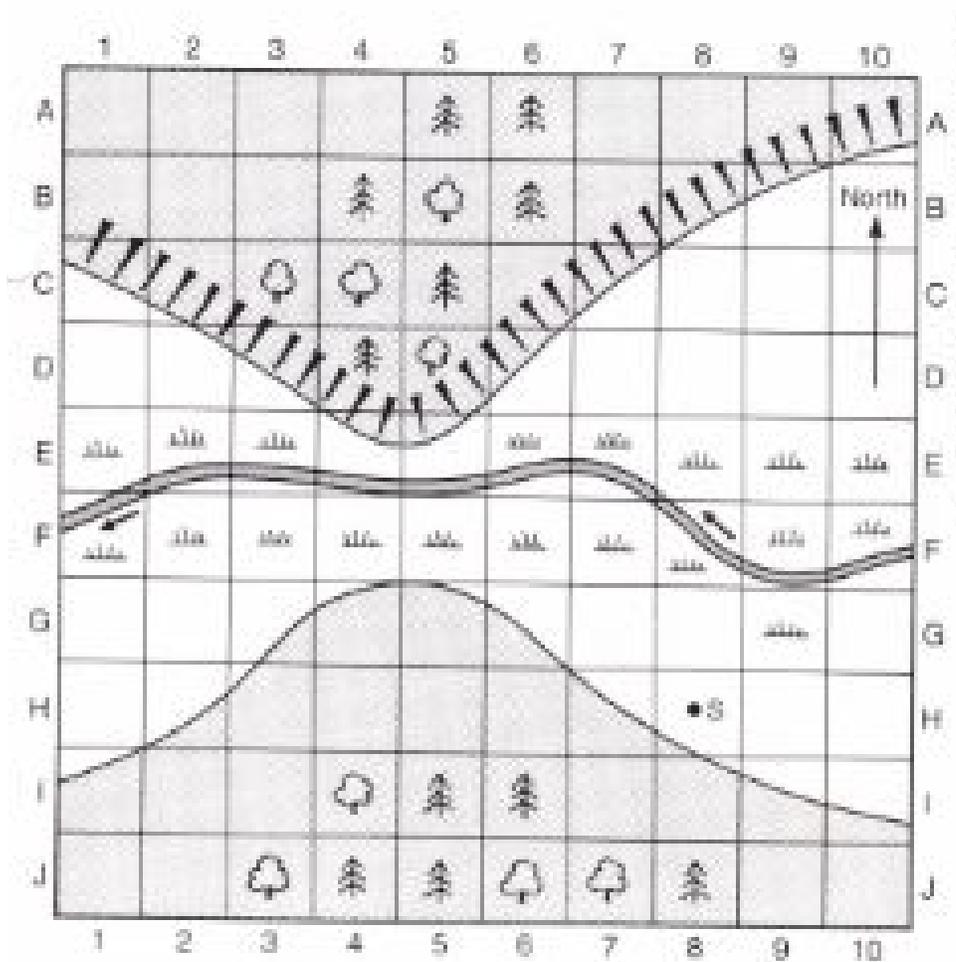


Residential

Land where the primary use is for business



Imagine you are deciding on the best spot for a settlement. Here is a map of your area.



Here is your criteria:

- You need to be in the highlands which makes a good **defensive** site
- It should be mainly **dry land** and not likely to flood.
- Water** is essential, so it should be within one square of a water source.
- You will need woodland for **building materials** and **fuel**
- The land should be mainly **flat** and have good soil for both building on and growing crops
- It should be near the best point for a bridge

Find which square is best for your settlement. Explain your reasons.