

# The Knowledge

Supporting the National Curriculum



**Ardleigh Green Learning Federation**

## Beach Combers and Coastlines



## Year 2

**Working Together, Learning Together, Growing Together**

Knowing More

Remembering More

Learning More

## Key Places



- **Chalkwell Beach**— a local, UK beach.



- **Tocuaro, Mexico** —a contrasting, non-European place.



- **Brighton**—UK



- **Blackpool** - UK



- **Great Yarmouth**—UK

## Key Dates

- The first Punch and Judy show, originally in Covent Garden, London.
- The first Bathing Machine was used in Margate, Kent.
- The first pier was built in Ryde, England.
- RNLI were founded.
- First flight from England to Mexico.

1662

1750

1813

1824

1934

## Key Facts

1. The RNLI give lots of advice about how keep safe on the beach, red and yellow flag means lifeguarded area, red flag means danger don't go in the water, white and black flag means surfboards only and the orange windsock let's you know if it's too windy for inflatables!
2. Seaside, urban and rural places all have many differing features, some that are human—man made (e.g. pier) and physical (e.g. cliff)
3. People have always loved seaside holidays and seashores have changed a lot through history, Punch and Judy was always popular seaside entertainment.
4. There used to be bathing machines in the water so people could get changed for swimming in private, the Victorians loved them.
5. The weather at the seaside very much depends on it's location and the season.
6. There are many creatures and plants at the seaside that are still alive, may be dead or may have never been alive and we have learnt to identify them.
7. We have compared animals living in our local habitat and animals living on the seashore and in the ocean such as coastal birds, seashore minibeasts, marine mammals and underwater plants.
8. All of these creatures need shelter, food and water.
9. Remember to use your Atlas to locate these seaside places and discuss their weather conditions.
10. Toluca is a Mexican town and we have compared the town with those in UK.

## Key Vocabulary

1. **cliff**—a steep rock face, usually at the edge of land next to the sea.
2. **coast**— the part of land that directly next to the sea.
3. **seashore**— an area of sand or rocky land i.e beach, next to the sea.
4. **pier**— a wooden platform over the top of the sea, often with arcades.
5. **RNLI**— Royal National Lifeboat Institution who keep people safe at sea.
6. **Bathing Machine**— a wooden cart rolled into the sea for people to get changed inside.
7. **Punch and Judy**— A traditional puppet show performed in a white and red box.
8. **equator**— Imaginary line around the middle of the Earth, the closer the hotter.
9. **habitat**— the natural home or environment of an animal or plant.
10. **minibeasts**— a small invertebrate (no backbone) animal such as an insect.

# Test Yourself

1. What does RNLI stand for?
2. Who would you phone if you were stranded at sea?
3. List all of the beach flags and their meanings.
4. What year was the first Punch and Judy show?
5. What were Bathing Machines used for?
6. Where is the Equator?
7. List as many seaside creatures and plants as you can. What is their habitat like?
8. How is Mexico similar to the UK?
9. How does Mexico differ to the UK?
10. Name all of the human and physical features of seascides.

# Texts to read

