

KS1 Geography. Comparing locations (Your world)

Living in contrasting coastal capital cities - Cardiff and Port Moresby

Cardiff is the capital of Wales. It's on the coast and is a port where cargo ships come to collect and deliver goods to other countries across the sea.

Far away in the Pacific Ocean, is the island of Papua New Guinea. Port Moresby is the capital city. Here the climate is tropical, and the sandy beaches are lined with palm trees.

Reenie: Hello my name is Reenie. I am ten years old. I live in Port Moresby, the capital of Papua New Guinea. I live with my grandma, my auntie, uncle and my three cousins.

Judah: Hi my name is Judah, and I live in Cardiff. I'm ten years old, and I live with my mum, dad brother, and my dog, called Mollie. The beach is ten minutes away from my house. The trouble is that rains a lot in Cardiff, and we're just going to have to give up right now.

Reenie: It's usually hot all year here, but we have two seasons: wet season, and dry season. The wet season is when it rains a lot, and the dry season is when it hardly rains at all.

Reenie: My house is about fifteen-minute walk from the beach. When it is really hot, we can go in the sea to cool off.

Judah: One of the best things about living by the sea is that at the beach you get ice-cream. When it's windy on the beach, it's quite nice - the feeling of it just going through your hair and everything. You can spin around.

Reenie: That's where I go shopping with my grandma, and we buy fish and vegetables for dinner.

Judah: My school is quite far away to walk, it usually takes about ten minutes, or I go on the bus.

Reenie: I go to school a short walk from my home. Every morning we sing the national anthem.

Judah: It's a Welsh school, so we do English and Welsh.

Reenie's teacher: OK class, we'll be learning about clothes today. Reenie, can you read about the shirt?

Reenie: This is a red shirt...

Reenie: There are thirty kids in my class. All our lessons are in English, and we have to talk in English.

Reenie's friend: What are you doing this weekend?

Reenie: I'm playing marbles with my friends.

Judah: *Helo fy enw i yw Jwda ac rwy'n byw yng Caerdydd* - and that means 'Hello, my name is Judah and I live in Cardiff.' I speak Welsh with my friends at school, but if I don't know a word I say it in English.

Reenie: I usually speak Pidgin with my friends. At home I speak Motu with my grandmother.

Judah: Having a double language is hard, because sometimes you get mixed up.

Reenie: After school I collect wood for the fire to cook our dinner.

Judah: When I look out to sea it's incredible.

Reenie: I think about the creatures that live under the water.

Judah: When I was little I used to imagine this island that was filled with bamboo and all this tropical stuff.

Reenie: I wish to be a mermaid, to live under the water, and know the sea world, and spider fish.