

KS1 Geography. UK locations (with William Whiskerson)

Jobs and tourism in a seaside town

NARRATOR: Here comes William Whiskerson, in his amazing travelling globe!

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Greetings, adventurers! I am William Whiskerson, the famous

mouse explorer!

NARRATOR: Where has our intrepid mouse explorer landed today? He's on

a long sandy beach at the seaside. But which part of the United

Kingdom is he in?

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Cheese Phone, reveal my location.

NARRATOR: The Cheese Phone shows William where he is in the world.

CHEESE PHONE: Hi, William! Today, you're on the south coast of England, in the

seaside town of Weymouth.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Look! I've got a message coming through on my cheese phone!

CHARLIE: Hello, William! I'm Charlie. Come visit me in my restaurant!

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Lock the location, Cheese Phone!

NARRATOR: The map shows William the way to Charlie's restaurant.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Explorers away!

NARRATOR: William sets off to meet Charlie, exploring Weymouth as he goes.

There are lots of tourists walking on the esplanade beside the beach. They're taking in the fresh sea air and looking at different shops and stalls on the seafront. William has found a telescope, which he can use to look out to sea. The telescope makes the boat

look much closer. William carries on his journey.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Look adventurers! The cheese phone has led us to a restaurant.

Yummy!

CHARLIE: Hello, William!

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Pleased to squeak you, Charlie!



CHARLIE: Pleased to squeak you too, William!

NARRATOR: Charlie explains that his mum and dad work in the restaurant, and

he invites William to help out.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Right! That sounds like a real adventure!

WILLIAM AND CHARLIE: Explorers away!

CHARLIE: This is the restaurant!

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Wow!

NARRATOR: Charlie shows William the dining area, where all the customers

come to eat. He also points out the kitchen where his dad

prepares the food. Charlie then shows William a menu. He tells

him that it lists all the different dishes available to eat.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: There's an awful lot of fish on here.

CHARLIE: I know, because we're a fish restaurant.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Oh!

NARRATOR: William notices something missing at the top of the menu.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Fish of the day? There's nothing written there.

CHARLIE: Because it hasn't been caught yet.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Caught? From the sea?

CHARLIE: Yes!

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: I'd love to see how that happens.

CHARLIE: OK, let's go and find out!

NARRATOR: Charlie takes William down to the harbour.

CHARLIE: This is Brett. He catches our fish for us.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Hi, Brett! Can we come and find out how you catch the fish?



BRETT: Of course you can! Come on down and maybe you can have a go

too.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Fantastic!

WILLIAM AND CHARLIE: Explorers away!

NARRATOR: William and Charlie put on their life jackets and set off for the

fishing trip with Brett. On their way they see lots of boats of different shapes and sizes - lifeboats, fishing boats, old-fashioned sailing boats, even huge ferry boats. Brett navigates out of the harbour walls and into the open sea. He uses a compass and a

computerised map to help him find his way.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: What time of day do you go fishing?

BRETT: That depends on the tide normally.

NARRATOR: Brett tells William that sometimes he sets off as early as four

in the morning to catch his fish. And sometimes he fishes in the middle of the afternoon. It all depends on the type of fish he's

trying to catch and the tides.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: How do you find the fish?

BRETT: Every time I catch a lot of fish, I put a mark on there, and then I'll

go there the following year. I build up a map of where the fish visit.

NARRATOR: The map shows William the fishing spot the boat is going to.

William and Charlie set out to find it. There're some seagulls. You get a lot of seagulls near fishing boats, because they like to eat

fish.

BRETT: Shall we start fishing then?

CHARLIE: Yes!

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Sounds good!

BRETT: This is a fishing rod we use. And sometimes we use bait to catch

different fish.



NARRATOR: Bait is what a fisherman puts at the end of his rod to attract the

fish. Sometimes they use little fish as bait, like this one.

BRETT: But, we're going to use feathers and see what we catch with those.

NARRATOR: Today, William and Charlie are using feathers as bait.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: What sort of fish like feathers?

BRETT: Well mackerel like feathers and so do pollock, and gurnard.

NARRATOR: Brett helps Charlie and William lower the feathers into the sea.

BRETT: OK, let the line down. That's it. Now lock it off.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: You're a natural adventurer, Charlie!

NARRATOR: Then they move the rod up and down. This makes the feathers

dance in the water, helping the fish to find them.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: I thought fishermen always fished with nets!

BRETT: A lot of them still do, but I prefer rod and line fishing cos it's more

sustainable.

CHARLIE: What does 'sustainable' mean?

NARRATOR: With sustainable fishing every fish that is caught is measured. If

the fish is too small, it's thrown back into the ocean. This way the smaller fish can grow and fishermen will still be able to find plenty

of fish in the future.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Let's fish sustainably, Charlie.

CHARLIE: What sort of fish do you catch?

BRETT: It depends on the time of year. We're in September and we're

catching bass and flatfish, like turbot and brill.

CHARLIE: Can you catch a shark?

BRETT: You can do.



NARRATOR: Brett says there's a harmless type of shark called a 'dogfish'

which lives in the waters around Weymouth. They swim along the

bottom hoovering it up.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Do they go 'woof'?

BRETT: They don't!

CHARLIE: I think I've got a bite.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Quick! Charlie's got a bite on the end of his fishing line!

CHARLIE: I got one!

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Really?

CHARLIE: Yes!

BRETT: Brilliant!

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Quick!

BRETT: Wind it up.

NARRATOR: Charlie turns the handle of his rod to pull the fishing line out of

the water. Look, he's caught something!

CHARLIE: It's wiggling like mad!

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Oh, what an adventure!

BRETT: Here's some mackerel!

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Wow! Squeakalicious! Two of them! That might be our fish of the

day!

NARRATOR: Brett measures Charlie's mackerel on his fish ruler. They can only

keep the fish if they measure more than 20 centimetres.

BRETT: How big is he Charlie?

CHARLIE: 26 centimetres.



BRETT: The legal limit is 20, so we can eat that one.

NARRATOR: They've caught their fish of the day.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Well done, Charlie!

CHARLIE: Put it in the ice box and let's fish again.

NARRATOR: Back at the restaurant, Charlie and William have put their

mackerel on the menu. William says he can't wait to eat his fishy

feast.

CHARLIE: Well that's lucky, because your lunch is here.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Thank you! We've got the fish of the day! It's the mackerel we

caught earlier!

CHARLIE: Then tuck in!

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Oh thanks, Charlie. I've had an amazing adventure in your

restaurant!

CHARLIE: I've had an amazing adventure too. I brought you a present.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: Oh! Wow! A fishing rod! Now I can go fishing in the bath! Hey,

squeak you later, Charlie!

CHARLIE: Squeak you later too, William!

NARRATOR: Can you remember where William went today? William visited the

seaside town of Weymouth. He met his friend Charlie, whose mum and dad own a restaurant. William and Charlie went on a fishing boat. Can you remember what sort of fish they caught? That's right - mackerel! Then Charlie's dad cooked William a fishy feast.

WILLIAM WHISKERSON: It was squeakalicious! Time to fly explorers! We're off on another

adventure!

NARRATOR: See you soon, William!