



Key Vocabulary

Word	Meaning
Coast	The seashore and the land close to it
Human feature	A feature that has been made or changed by humans
Physical feature	A feature that has been formed by nature
Compass	An instrument used for finding directions. North, South, East and West.
Estuary	The wide part of a river, where it flows into the sea
Cliff	A steep rock face, especially near the coast
Pier	A long structure that goes out to sea for people to walk on, or fish from
Beach	An area of sand or stones between the sea and the land

Key facts

- The **coastline** around the UK is where you can find seaside resorts.
- Southend **pier** is over a mile long and is the world's longest pleasure pier.
- There are 11 kilometres of seafront at Southend.
- Southend has been a city since 1st March 2022.

Human and physical geography

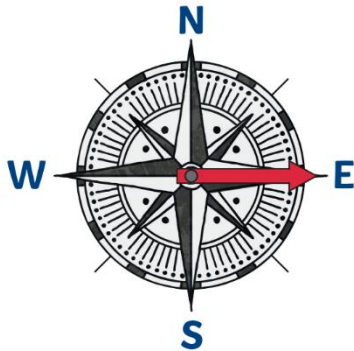
Human Features	Physical Features
Pier Promenade Fairground Houses Arcades Lighthouse Marina Harbour	Sea Beach Cliff Caves Sand Pebbles Shells Estuary Sand dunes



Where is Southend?

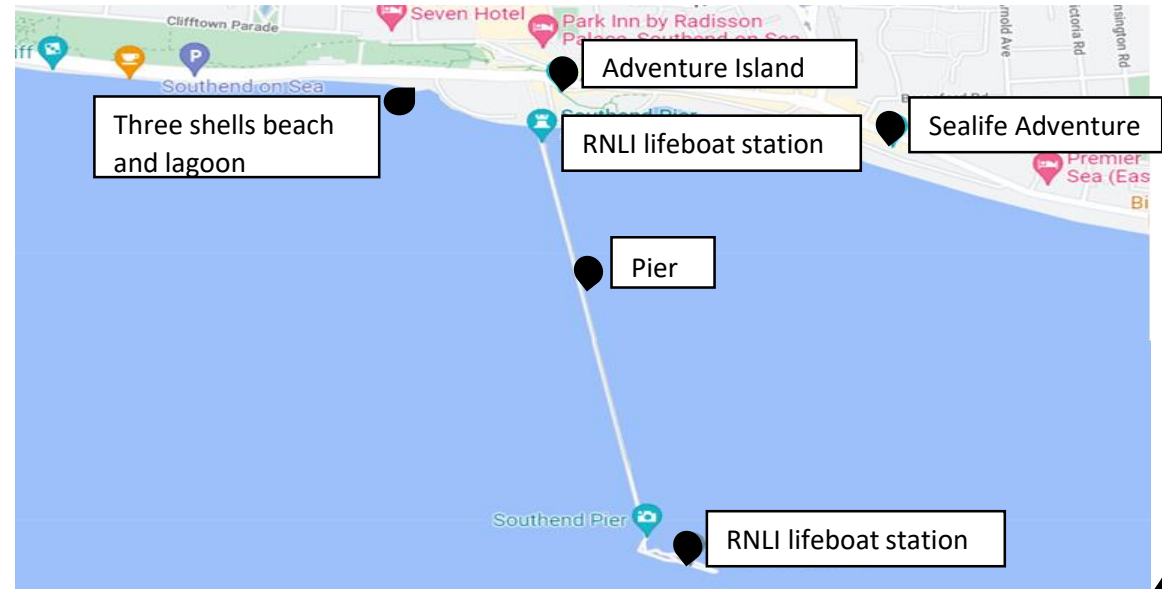


- From our school it takes about 1 hour and 30 minutes to get to Southend.
- Southend is East of Pinner.
- Southend sea looks on to the **Thames Estuary**.
- We will go on the M25 and A127 to get there.



Map of Southend

This is map of Southend with some of the main landmarks labelled.



Extending your learning

1. Visit a different beach. Look at the physical and human features. Compare them to Southend.
2. Look at an atlas, an Ordnance Survey map or Google Maps. Find a beach. What features can you find?
3. Visit a library. Look for books about the Seaside. For example, The Sea of Adventure by Enid Blyton.