


## Theme: Newcastle upon Tyne and the local area

<p>Spring: to explore Newcastle upon Tyne and the local area. To explore Newcastle geographically (e.g. as part of England and the United Kingdom). Students to explore/find out about local customs/songs/activities associated with the area. Students to explore aspects of Newcastle culture and an awareness of Newcastle cuisine. Students to engage in kinaesthetic themed activities at a sensory level.</p>	
<p>Activities:</p>	<p>Questions/discussion points:</p> <p>Where is Newcastle upon Tyne?</p> <p>What is Newcastle famous for? (e.g. Newcastle United, Blaydon Race)</p> <p>Do you know any events associated with Newcastle? (e.g. Great North Run)</p> <p>Do you know any of the history of Newcastle upon Tyne?</p> <p>What is life like in the Newcastle area? (e.g. culture/cuisine/customs)</p> <p>Can you name any famous landmarks?</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use the internet to research Newcastle upon Tyne. Where is Newcastle on a map of England? What is Newcastle famous for? Are there any famous people from Newcastle? Are there any famous buildings/monuments associated with Newcastle?</li> <li>• Create a power point of interesting facts about Newcastle.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Sensory Learning:</b></p> <p>Create a sensory trail. Think of 5 activities that involve one of the 5 senses (e.g. touch, taste, smell, hearing and sight).</p> <p>Explore different aspects of Newcastle cuisine at a sensory level (e.g. involve all 5 senses when exploring food/cooking stimuli) to include: pasties, pease pudding, stottie etc.</p> <p>Anthony Gormley art work. To create own figures inspired by Gormley out of clay, playdough/plasticine and/or found objects (see picture below)</p>

- Use the internet to research “Geordie” customs and language. Are there any “Geordie” words that you don’t know their meaning? Create a “Geordie” dictionary.
- Challenge students to create their own “Geordie Games” at home! Which events would they include?
- Biscuit Tyne Bridges to make and decorate (half a coconut ring decorated with icing pens)
- Explore Newcastle and its food and culture. Challenge students to taste a variety of “Geordie” foods (e.g. saveloys, pasties, ham and pease pudding). What did they like/did not like?
- Research Antony Gormly (artist) and have a go at making your own artwork inspired by him using either: sticks, lego, blocks, plasticine, string...can you use any other materials?
- Research simple “Geordie” cooking and make their own dish.
- Design and make your own Newcastle “Bogie cart” at home.
- Create a model of St James’ Park out of cereal boxes! (see picture below). Use it to play blow football (you will need two straws and a ball/malteser)



### Challenge:

Independent research of Newcastle upon Tyne

Challenge your child to design and make their own comic. SevenStories are providing free downloadable resources here:

<https://www.sevenstories.org.uk/learning/books-and-resources/diy-comics>

Use the internet to research local games and pastimes (e.g. kербie) Create and take part in own “Geordie Games”. *\*There is a Geordie games recording sheet with rules of some example games you might want to play.\**

Independently design a true or false quiz for the Newcastle (historical and fun facts) or a ‘Who wants to be a millionaire’ style quiz.



- Research the history of Newcastle United. You can either use the internet ([https://kids.kiddle.co/Newcastle\\_United\\_F.C.](https://kids.kiddle.co/Newcastle_United_F.C.)), or download the History of Newcastle United pdf here (<https://www.nufc.co.uk/media/50654/newcastle-united-visitors-guide-2020.pdf>)

Create your own Angel of the North or other landmarks of Newcastle from everyday items (picture example below)



Research "Geordie" culture

Links to websites/video clips:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/43071546>

<https://primaryfacts.com/2532/angel-of-the-north-facts-and-information/>

<https://englandsnortheast.co.uk/geordie-dictionary-a-b/>

<https://www.beano.com/posts/epic-newcastle-quiz>

<http://www.antonygormley.com/>

<https://www.tate.org.uk/art/artists/antony-gormley-1192>

<https://www.yummytoddlerfood.com/activities/playdough-recipe/> (for the playdough art activity)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/thingstodo/bp-blow-football>

[https://www.gateshead.gov.uk/media/4177/Origami-template-of-the-Angel-of-the-North/pdf/Origami\\_.pdf?m=636465355778930000](https://www.gateshead.gov.uk/media/4177/Origami-template-of-the-Angel-of-the-North/pdf/Origami_.pdf?m=636465355778930000)

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