

Lesson 2: Discover Cornwall

UNIT: England Expeditions

TRANSCRIPT

HOOK 1

Hi, writers. It's Anne.

Brenda is super excited to produce her next exploration video on London and Cornwall, and she can't wait to read all the great scripts coming from new writers like you.

One of the reasons Brenda chose England is because she's a huge soccer fan. In the United States, it's called soccer, but to the rest of the world, it's called football. Football has over four billion fans worldwide, making it one of the most popular sports on the planet.

Brenda has never been to England herself. But since she follows soccer, she knows a lot about the area—especially the stadiums.

These giant arenas are where all her favorite teams play their games or matches. In London, there's Wembley Stadium, home to several London teams, and a little farther away, her favorite soccer team plays at Anfield Stadium.

Brenda loves watching soccer, and she hopes to one day get to go to one of these amazing stadiums to watch a match.

DISCUSSION 1

Discuss: What's a professional sport that you would like to experience in person?

HOOK 2

Maybe you said that you love basketball and have been to a few professional games already, or that you love go-karts and would love to go to an actual F-1 event and watch them race in action. Whatever sport you said is great.

In lesson one, you took notes on London using Source 1—a video transcript, and Source 2—an infographic. Gathering lots of information about each location is the first step in Brenda's script writing process.

Today, you'll research Cornwall, which sits in the far southwest corner of the country. It's a place known for its natural cliffs, beautiful beaches, and small villages by the sea. And just like last time, you'll identify interesting facts and make notes on cool places to see and fun things to do.

I'll get you started, step by step.

STEP 1

Get your supplies.

STEP 2

Today, you'll be researching and taking notes about the southern coastal area of England called Cornwall. Watch this video that Brenda found about Cornwall.

Cornwall feels like stepping into another world. It's where rugged cliffs meet endless ocean views, and history whispers from every stone.

Land's End is where granite cliffs rise 200 feet above the crashing ocean. From these towering heights, you can spot the famous Longships Lighthouse standing guard over the dangerous waters. If you're lucky, you might see seals playing in the waters below. Visitors love walking to the famous signpost that shows exactly how far they are from home.

The Eden Project uses giant domes, called biomes, to house thousands of plants from around the world. You can search for banana plants and chocolate trees as you walk through the steamy rainforest inside the tropical biome. Brave visitors can climb the canopy walkway high above the rainforest floor.

Pendennis Castle stands proudly, guarding the entrance to Falmouth's harbor. Built by Henry the Eighth over 400 years ago, this fortress was designed to protect Cornwall from invasion. From its battlements, you can see ships sailing in and out of one of the world's deepest natural harbors. Explorers love to climb the castle walls and search for secret tunnels.

Falmouth's harbor bustles with life. The seaside town is lined with historic 18th-century buildings. Narrow cobblestone streets wind uphill from the busy boat docks. People take a break from exploring to relax in the sun and enjoy ice cream on one of Falmouth's many beaches.

If you'd like to watch this video again, replay this step. Otherwise, move on to the next step.

STEP 3

Get your Cornwall Notes worksheet.

Just like you did for your London Notes, think about how you want to organize your notes as you write them. The way you organize your notes is totally up to you.

Think about how you want to organize your notes, and then set up your page.

When you are ready, move to the next step.

STEP 4

Find Source 3. This is a transcript of the video you just watched about Cornwall.

Using your Cornwall Notes worksheet, read the transcript and take notes.

Your teacher will tell you how long you have to take notes.

STEP 5

Nice job!

Find Source 4. This is an infographic about Cornwall.

For now, let's just read it. You'll take notes on it later. If you'd like to read this Source on your own, pause the video now. Or keep playing to hear me read the Source aloud.

72 million years ago - Lands End cliffs were formed

1540 - Pendennis Castle was built

1613 - Falmouth was founded

2001 - Eden Project opened

Land's End:

- Cliffs are 2000 feet high (about 20 giraffes stacked up!)
- Over 500,000 people visit Lands End each year

Eden Project:

- Biome is 180 feet high (the Statue of Liberty can sit inside)

- Home to over 1,000 different plant species

Pendennis Castle:

- 12 feet thick walls
- Its round tower helps soldiers fire cannons in all directions
- On a clear day, you can see 20 miles out to sea

Falmouth:

- There are 33 beaches within 5 miles
- Home to over 50 species of fish
- The harbor never freezes
- Over 20 ice cream shops are open in the summer

If you'd like to hear me read this Source out loud again, replay this step. Otherwise, move on to the next step.

STEP 6

Infographics like this usually contain lots of information, like specific facts, numbers, and definitions. This information can really help to highlight all the cool spots and fun activities that make a location unforgettable.

Read Source 4 quietly to yourself and take notes. Your teacher will tell you how long you have to take notes.

STEP 7

Silently read all the notes you have taken for Cornwall. Be sure that you have lots of notes, specific facts, and names and numbers.

If you want, you can reread the Sources again and add to your notes, or make changes to the notes that you already have.

STEP 8

Nice work! You've now taken notes on both London and Cornwall using Brenda's four Sources.

Whenever you use information to write something using multiple sources, you need to list each one along with information like the title and the name of the person who wrote or created it.

Brenda likes to list her sources in the online description of her video. This helps to show that her information comes from trusted sources.

Find your My Sources / Idea Bank worksheet.

Using Sources 1, 2, 3, and 4, fill in the missing information in the "My Sources" section.

STEP 9

When My Sources is completely filled out, it looks like this. Check to see if yours matches. If it doesn't, you can make changes.

STEP 10

Now that you've finished taking notes and listing your sources, carefully staple together Source 1, 2, 3, and 4 and your My Sources / Idea Bank worksheet, like this. This will help you stay organized as you move into planning and outlining your video script.

WRAP UP

Great job, writers! You researched and took detailed notes about the amazing area of Cornwall. You also listed all of your sources, noting each source's title and the name of the author or creator.

In Brenda's script writing process, you've been here. In the next lesson, you'll start to plan your script by creating an outline using the notes that you've taken about both places.

Make sure to put your V.I.P.s somewhere safe, and I'll see you next time.