

Enquiry: The Commonwealth

- seeking questions to ask

Take a quick look at the list of Countries.

Highlight 3 you recognise -- and 3 you do not.

Share your list. *Across the class*

- which countries are mentioned the most?

As a class choose a selection of countries to focus on.

Agree a country for each pair/small group to research.

For your country ... the basics:

- ◇ what is it called?
- ◇ where is it?
- ◇ what approximate size?
- ◇ what flag?
- ◇ what is the capital?
- ◇ what key words describe the country?



Africa

Botswana
Cameroon
Eswatini
Gambia, The
Ghana
Kenya
Lesotho
Malawi
Mauritius
Mozambique
Namibia
Nigeria
Rwanda
Seychelles
Sierra Leone
South Africa
Tanzania, United Republic
Uganda
Zambia

Asia

Bangladesh
Brunei Darussalam
India
Malaysia
Maldives
Pakistan
Singapore
Sri Lanka

Pacific

Australia
Fiji
Kiribati
Nauru
New Zealand
Papua New Guinea
Samoa
Solomon Islands
Tonga
Tuvalu
Vanuatu

Caribbean & Americas

Antigua and Barbuda
Bahamas, The
Barbados
Belize
Canada
Dominica
Grenada
Guyana
Jamaica
Saint Lucia
St Kitts and Nevis
St Vincent & The Grenadines
Trinidad and Tobago

Europe

Cyprus
Malta
United Kingdom

Groups

The Development Compass Rose [DCR] is a framework to help us identify questions about a place. It is a bit like a compass North, South, East and West.

To understand what goes on, it is useful to think about a variety of factors.

The DCR helps us to look at – and explore the links between: Natural, Economic, Social factors, and to consider Who decides?

This diagram suggests the kind of questions you might consider.

Draw your own or use blank on page 3.

The skill is in seeking the most useful questions. This involves finding out things about your country.

How would you summarise what you have found out? Some of your questions, from the four 'compass points', could be compared with questions about different countries - from other groups. Are they similar?

To build an understanding of the Commonwealth - **Which questions do you feel are the most important to find out more about?**

Development Compass Rose ...



