

Year 5 Local Study - Aspull



Geography knowledge:

To develop a sense of historical curiosity about a local area.

To describe the key physical geographical features of Aspull including local rivers and mountains.

To understand what human Geography features Aspull has which attract people to the area.

To use the eight points of a compass, four and six-figure grid references, and symbols and key to navigate Aspull.

To observe, measure, and record the human and physical features of Aspull.

To present the human and physical features of Aspull using a range of methods.

Understand and use a widening range of geographical terms, including specific topic vocabulary – urban, rural, trade, sustainability; delta, tributary; describe geographical processes (e.g. erosion)

Geography Skills:

- Select a map for a specific purpose. Compare maps with aerial photographs.
- Measure straight line distance on a plan. Find/recognise places on maps of different scales.
- Identify significant places and environments.

Physical Characterists/Features.

Human:

Aspull is a **village** in Wigan. Historically in Lancashire, Aspull, along with Haigh, is surrounded by greenbelt and agricultural land, separated from Westhoughton, on its southeast side, by a brook running through Borsdane Wood.

- Aspull has many shops, a church and schools.

Physical:

The **landscape** is green as there are many fields.

The **climate** is mild. The summers are warm and the winters are cool.

Location:

- **Aspull** is a village in the Metropolitan Borough of Wigan, in [Greater Manchester](#), England. [Historically](#) in Lancashire, Aspull, along with [Haigh](#), is surrounded by greenbelt and agricultural land, separated from [Westhoughton](#), on its southeast side, by a brook running through Borsdane Wood.



Aspull is on a crossroads. The principal road is to the north-east/south-west, [Blackrod](#) to Wigan. Another road runs north-west/south-east, [Standish](#) to the A6 road. The Leeds and Liverpool Canal passes through the western corner of the township. Aspull Moor lies in the northern half of the village.

Interesting facts:

- The ground rises from south to north, reaching 400 feet (122 m), and has views towards Winter Hill and the West Pennine Moors. It has a population of 4,977.
- Aspull was once a centre of mining and textile manufacture, though little evidence of this can be seen in the village today. Haigh Country Park estate lies to the west.
- Cannel coal was found in Aspull.