

Activity eight: Comparing and contrasting localities

Curriculum links:

Geography

Activity 8a:

Create an art and information display about Belém (a city on the banks of the Amazon estuary) and Maria Ribeira. If possible, also include your school's location.

The children could do their own research on the Internet or in the library and share their information. If the children work in groups, they could each be responsible for a different element of the display and make a presentation to the rest of the class on their findings.

Use a simple background of a rainforest and a built-up area and include details such as the type of buildings in each place, the jobs available, the common diet, transport and lifestyle. Make it clear that neither place is a wealthy area and show how lack of resources might affect them differently. Have the children think about the similarities and differences which would have an effect on their lives if living in each location.