The Mediterranean Assessment: Mediterranean Mission

Setting the scene

Imagine you are a child living here - as this child, you know that you live in a country that borders with the Mediterranean Sea, but you don’t really understand anything about Mediterranean countries. You have heard of the continent called Europe, but as you do not live in this continent you do not really understand it.

There are many children in the world that will have a similar experience. Your Mediterranean mission is to help children in such a place to understand more about the Mediterranean and its special features.

What do you need for your Mediterranean Mission?

You will need an enquiring mind! You and your class are going to journey through a series of lessons about the Mediterranean, and you must select the most important information to share.

You will need access to a computer as you will be sharing your ideas using Prezi, PowerPoint or Windows Media Maker. Your ‘mission leader’ (your teacher) will tell you more about that.

How will you know your Mediterranean Mission is complete?

You will need to create at least ten slides to share your understanding. You will need to include maps with a caption and images, with an explanation about the image chosen. Most of all, you will have included as much geography as possible into your work. This means using key words, descriptions, geographical questions and ideas. After each lesson, your mission leader (your teacher) will give you time to work on your presentation so that you can include something from each of the six lessons. As the mission goes on, you may want to add to or change things that you have written during earlier lessons.

This is a geography assessment. However, literacy is an important part of a geographer’s world. Imagine a map with spelling mistakes: it would be a disaster! So, before you complete your mission, check the following literacy questions:

- Is everything written in your own words?
- Do your sentences make sense?
- Have you used interesting and accurate punctuation?
- Have you used actual geographical words where possible?
- Have you spelt words correctly?