

Geography

Human geography of our local area

What is human geography?

Which statements do you think are correct?

How human activity is influenced by the landscape.

The physical features of a landscape.

How society is affected by the physical landscape.

The names of the lakes and oceans of the world.

What is human geography?

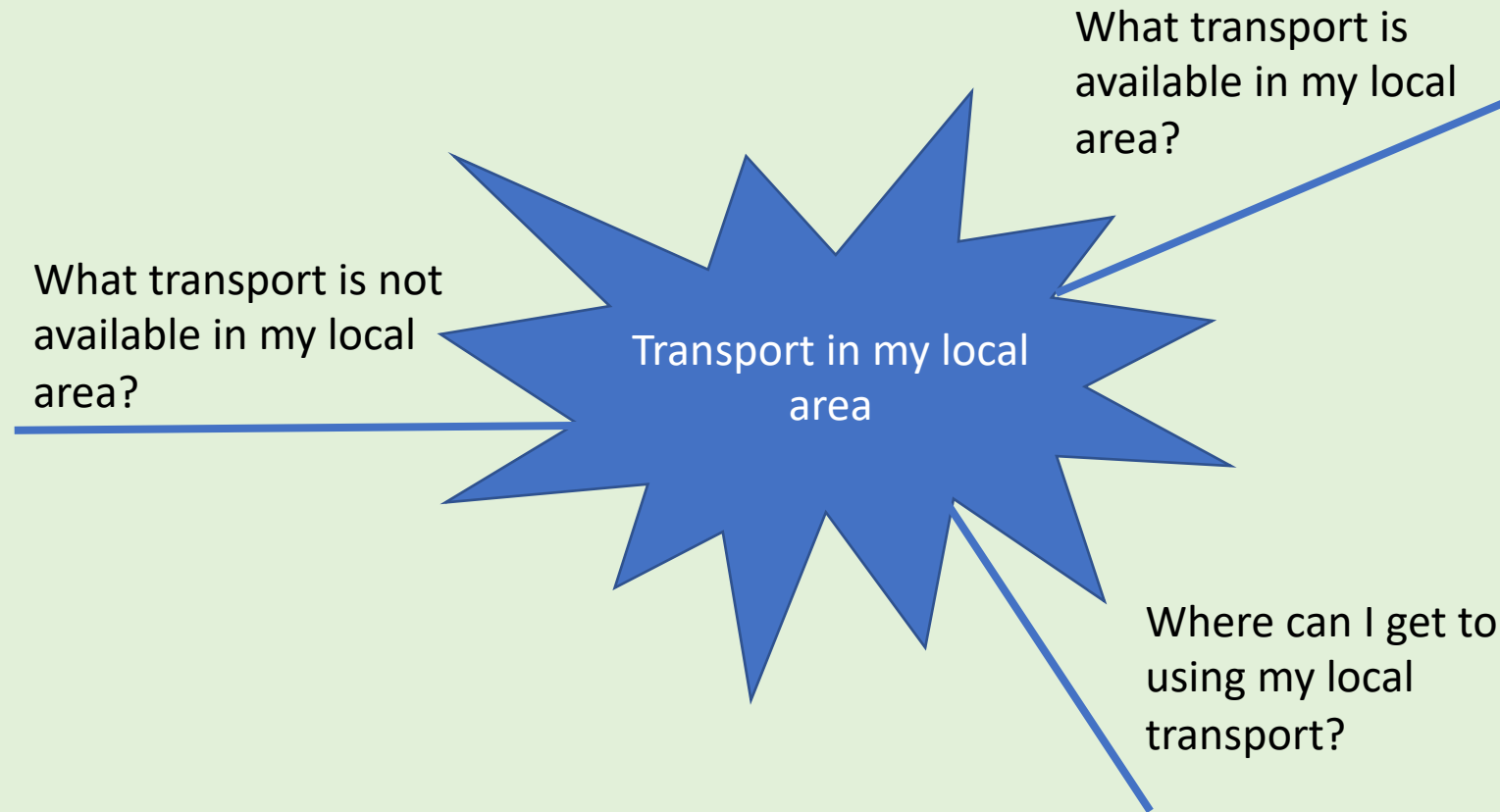
How human activity is influenced by the landscape.

How society is affected by the physical landscape.

Human geography looks at humans and their cultures, communities, economies and interactions with the environment by studying their relationships with different locations.

We are going to be thinking about the human geography of our local area, specifically how the physical features of our local area have influenced the **transport** that we use.

Create a mind map to help you think about what you know....



Here are some examples of transport that I thought of in our area...

buses



Cycleway



Trains

Did you think of any others?

Roads



Canal

Here are some examples of transport that I thought which are **not** in our local area



Motorway



Tram



Airport



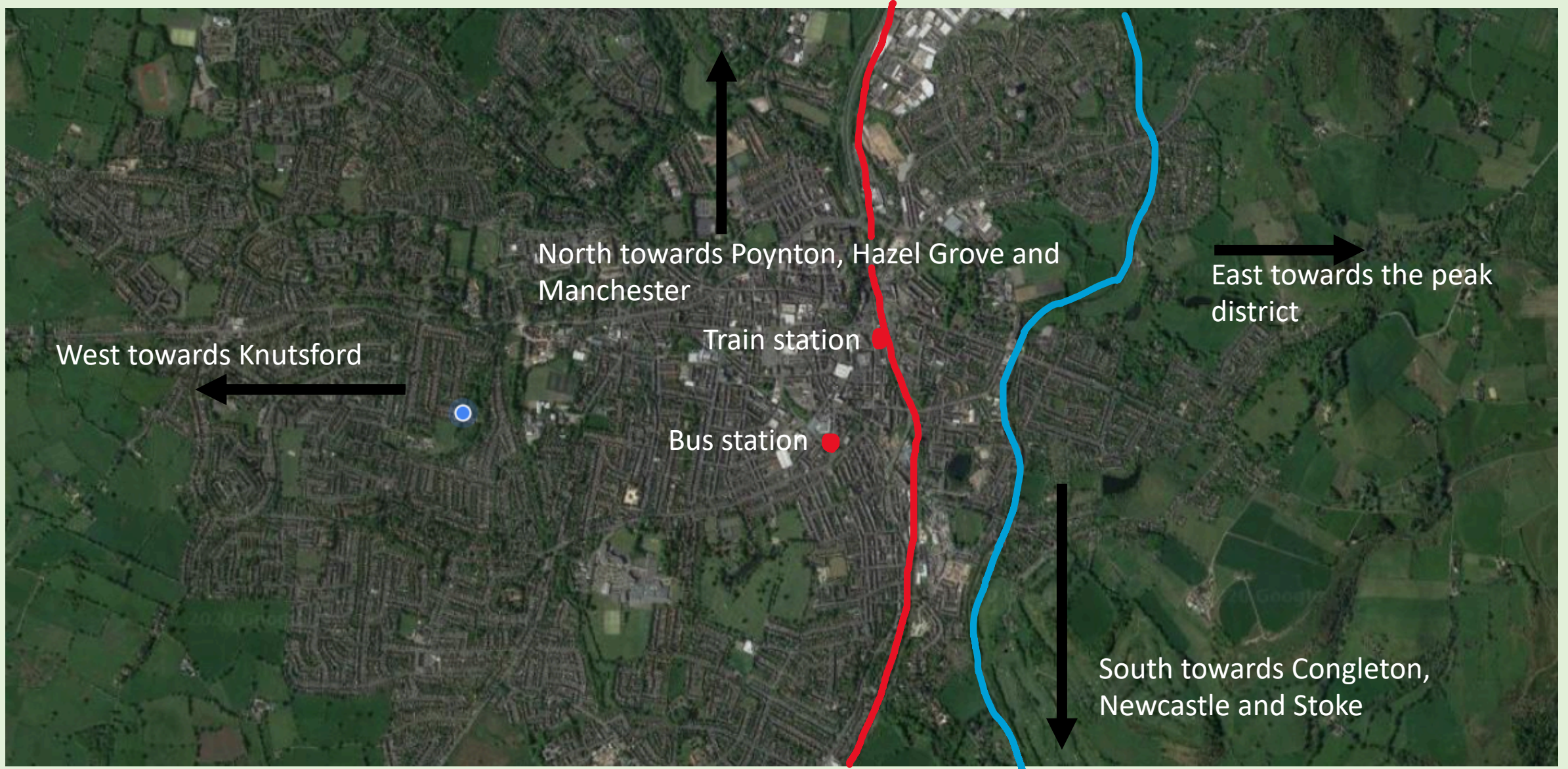
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Did you think of any others? Although lots of these are available in nearby towns and cities, we don't find them in Macclesfield.

Now you have some ideas of what we do and don't have in our local area, go back to your mind map and add any you hadn't thought of.

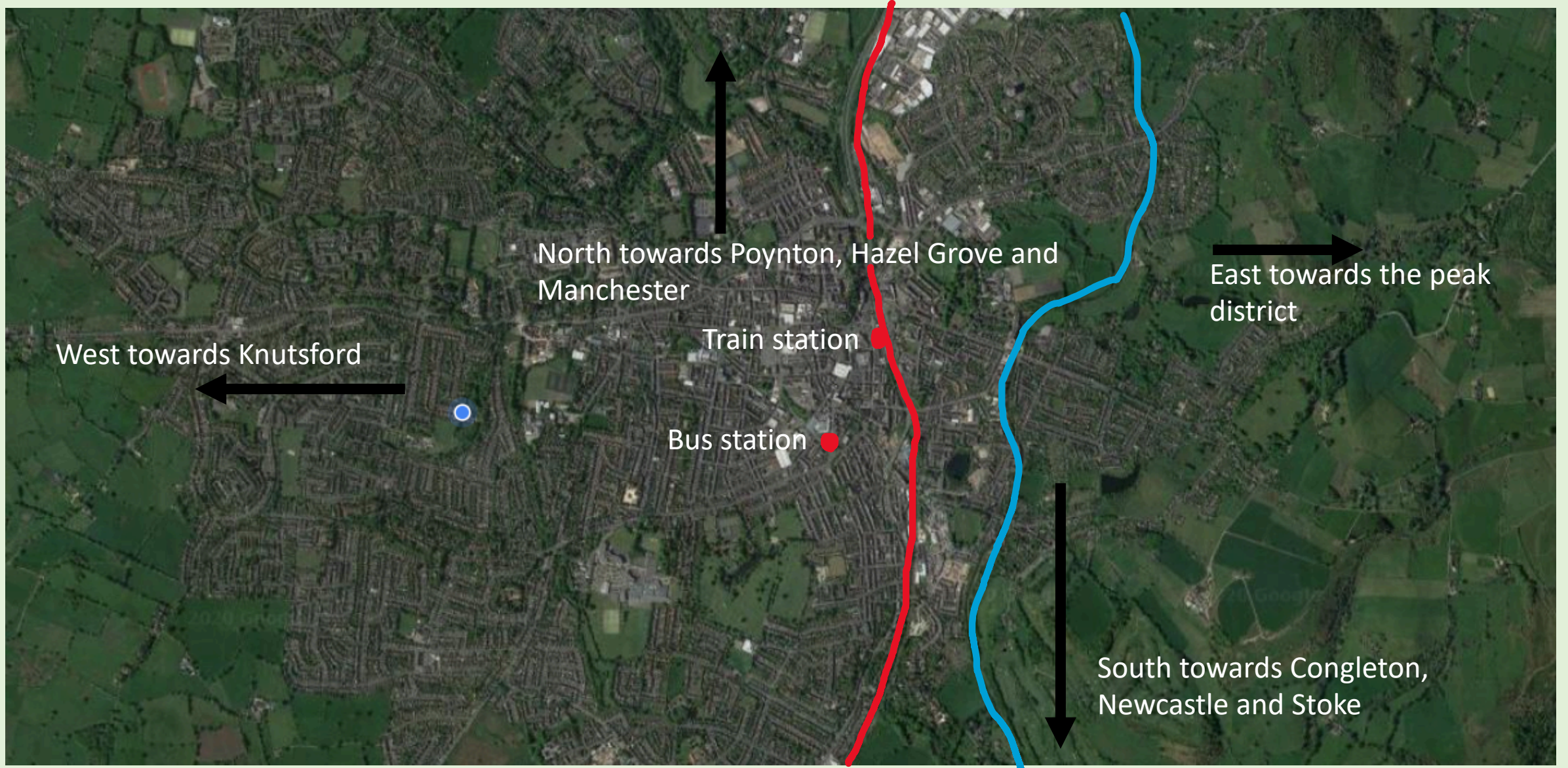
Next, we're going to think about how where we are located in the country has affected the types of transport we have available in our area.

Here is a map of Macclesfield. The blue line is the canal and the red line is the train track.



You might notice that the train line and canal run north-south and you might be able to see a few main roads heading out west. Why do you think that is? Why do you think there is less transport running East? (hint: think about the **physical** geography of that area)

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Think about the transport that we **do not** have in our local area. Can you think of any reasons that the **physical geography** of our area has meant it wasn't possible to have those things?

Extension task

Think about a typical week in your life (perhaps pre-lockdown might be more interesting!).

Have a go at creating a map to document your journeys that you would usually take. Use a different colour or type of line to represent different types of transport.

When you have finished, decide which mode of transport you use most frequently, e.g. walking, car or maybe the bus? Why do you think that is? What is the mode of transport that you use least frequently?