Geography

Geography Progression of Knowledge, Skills and Vocabulary

Locational knowledge

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EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Understanding the terms 'near' and 'far' and using them to describe the position of objects or places in relation to themselves Recognizing and describing familiar places in their local environment, such as their home, school, park, or shops Developing a sense of direction and using simple positional language to describe the position of objects or places in relation to each other, for example, 'next to', 'behind', 'in front of' Identifying and comparing physical features of different environments, such as hills, rivers, and forests Exploring different modes of transport and their purposes, including how to stay safe when using them	Locate the UK and Africa on a globe or map.	Name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans. Name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas	Locate the world's climatic regions using maps concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical characteristics. Identify the position and significance of the Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, and Arctic regions. Name and locate some key counties and cities of the United Kingdom, key topographical features (including hills, mountains, coasts and rivers)	Locate the countries of North America, using maps, concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, including major cities. Name and locate geographical regions and their identifying human and physical characteristics, and land-use patterns; and understand how some of these aspects have changed over time.	Locate the countries of Europe using maps (including the location of Russia). concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, including major cities. Identify the position and significance of the Prime/Greenwich Meridian and time zones (including day and night)	Locate the countries of South America, using maps, concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, including major cities. Identify the position and significance of latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic Circle.	

			Place knowledge			
Developing an awareness of different places in the world and the people who live there Identifying similarities and differences between different places and cultures, such as food and clothing Exploring their local community and becoming familiar with the features of different places, such as the park, library, or post office Recognizing and describing the different types of homes and buildings in their local environment, such as houses, apartments, and shops Understanding the concept of a journey and recognizing that different modes of transport are used to travel to different places	Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the UK, and a contrasting non-European country.	Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the UK, and a contrasting non-European country .	Understand geographical features of Peterborough and East Anglia.	Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom, a region in North America.	Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom and a region in a European country.	Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom and a region in South America.
Map Skills						
Recognize and point to different symbols on a map, such as a house, a tree, or a road Follow simple directions	Use a simple picture map to move around the school.	Follow a route on a map Use simple compass directions (NESW)	Follow a route on a map with some accuracy Locate places using a range of maps including OS and digital	Follow a route on a large scale map Locate places on a range of maps with a variety of scales	Compare maps with aerial photos Select a map for a specific purpose	Follow a short route on an OS map Describe the features shown on an OS map

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on a map, such as 'go straight' or 'turn left' Use a simple map to locate familiar places in their local environment, such as their home, school, or a local park Understand that a map is a picture of a place and can help them find their way around	Use relative vocabulary (bigger, smaller, like, dislike) Use directional language (near, far, up, down, left and right, forwards and backwards) Draw basic maps, including appropriate symbols and pictures to represent places or features and use photos and maps to identify features.	Use aerial photos and plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features Draw or make a map of real or imaginary places Use and construct basic symbols in a key.	Begin to match boundaries (e.g. find a boundary of a country on different scale maps) Use 4-figure compasses (NESW) and letter/number coordinates to identify features on a map Make a map of short route experiences with features Create a simple scale drawing Use standard symbols. Understand the importance of a key.	Identify features on an aerial photograph, digital or computer map Begin to use 8-figure compass, and 4-figure grid references to identify features on a map Recognise and use OS maps symbols, including completion of a key and understanding why they are important Draw a sketch map from a high viewpoint.	Begin to use atlases to find out other information (e.g. temperature) Find and recognise places on maps of different scales Use 8-figure compasses Begin to use 6-figure grid references Draw a variety of thematic maps based on their own data Draw a sketch map including symbols and a key Use and recognise OS map symbols regularly	Use atlases to find out data about other places Use 8-figure compass and 6-figure grid references accurately Use lines of longitude and latitude on maps Draw maps of increasing complexity Begin to recognise and use atlas symbols
			Fieldwork		map symbols regularly	
Observing and describing the natural environment, such as the plants and animals in a nearby park or garden Collecting and sorting natural materials, such as leaves, stones, or shells, and discussing their properties and features Using simple tools, such as a magnifying glass or a bucket, to explore and investigate the natural world	Carry out a small survey of the school. Ask a familiar person prepared questions Recognise a photo or a video as a record of what has been seen.	Carry out a small survey of the local area Use a pro-forma to collect data (e.g. tally survey)	Ask geographical questions Use a simple database to present findings from fieldwork.	Use a database to present findings Add titles and labels to photos giving date and location information	Select appropriate methods for data collection such as interviews Use a database to interrogate/amend information collected Use graphs to display data collected Evaluate the quality of evidence collected and suggest improvements	Decide upon your own geographical question, using appropriate language Then plan, collect, present and evaluate your own data choosing the most effective methods.

Discussing their observations of the natural world with ot	thers						
Vocabulary							
Мар	Compass	Settlement	Climate	Biome	Climate change	Deforestation	
Globe	Symbol	Environment	Ecosystem	Erosion	Equator	Geographical	
Country	Direction	Local area	Geography	Latitude	Glacier	information systems (GIS)	
Continent	Locational language	Land use	Habitat	Longitude	Human geography	Migration	
Weather	Human features	Natural resources	Map key	Plate tectonics	Rainforest	Natural hazard	
Season	Physical features	Weather patterns	River system	Population	Sustainability	Sustainability	
			Compass rose	Coastal erosion	Carbon footprint	Topography	
			Contour line	Earthquake	Climate zone	Carbon cycle	
			Geographical features	Ecosystem services	Fair trade	Ecological footprint	
			Grid reference	Fossil fuels	Geothermal energy	Globalisation	
			Human settlement	River source	Rain shadow	International aid	
			Landform	Rural-urban migration	Tectonic plates	Troposphere	
						Weathering	