

Geography Skills Progression Reception & KS1

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Place Knowledge

- Know about similarities and differences in relation to places.

Human & Physical geography

- Talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another.

Y1

Locational knowledge

- Name and locate the world's continents & oceans using an atlas or a map.
- Name and locate the countries of the UK & their capital cities using a map.
- Use positional and directional language to give directions.*

Place Knowledge

- Identify similarities and differences between two places

Human & Physical geography

- Use basic geographical vocabulary to describe physical features
- Use basic geographical vocabulary to describe the purpose of human features

Geographical skills & fieldwork

- Draw and read a simple picture map
- Understand how to use a key

* Links with mathematics

Y2

Locational knowledge

- Name and locate seas around the UK
- Locate the equator & north and south poles
- Use compass directions to describe a route or a location*

Place Knowledge

- Understand some of the characteristics of the countries of the UK

Human & Physical geography

- Compare similarities and differences between an area of the UK and a contrasting non-European country
- Use appropriate geographical vocabulary to describe physical features
- Use appropriate geographical vocabulary to explain how and why people use a range of human features
- Describe ways to improve the local environment

Geographical skills & fieldwork

- Understand how to use symbols and keys.
- Can draw and read a range of simple maps.
- Study aerial photographs to describe features and characteristics of an area.
- Collect and organise simple data from maps and fieldwork
- Ask and answer simple questions through observation and data collection

* Links with mathematics

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Geography Skills Progression KS2

Y5/6

Locational knowledge

- Use compass points and grid references to interpret maps including Ordnance Survey
- Use lines of longitude and latitude to find the position of geographical areas

Human & Physical geography

- Describe how the characteristics of settlements change as they get bigger
- Present a detailed account of how an industry has changed a place or landscape over time
- Analyse or compare places using aerial photographs and maps
- Describe how soil fertility, drainage and climate affect agricultural land usage
- Describe patterns of population growth, economic activity, land use and human settlement of an area of the UK or wider world

Geographical skills & fieldwork

- Ask and answer geographical questions and hypotheses using a range of fieldwork and research techniques.
- Summarise geographical data to draw conclusions

Y3/4

Locational knowledge

- Locate countries within Europe
- Locate and name major cities of the UK
- Use the 8 compass points and 4 figure grid location to plot and locate places on a map*

Place knowledge

- Understand characteristics of some of the counties of the UK

Human & Physical geography

- Conduct a detailed study of a significant river or mountain/range
- Classify, compare and contrast different types of geographical features
- Describe the type and purpose of buildings, monuments, services and land and understand reasons for their location
- Describe the type and characteristics of settlements and land use

Geographical skills & fieldwork

- Study and draw conclusions about places using a range of geographical resources
- Analyse maps, atlases, globes and digital mapping to locate countries and describe features studied
- Analyse primary data and identify patterns

* Links with Mathematics