



Geography

Progression of Skills

EYFS – Year 6

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EYFS & Key Stage One:

	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2
To investigate places	 Talk about my environment at school and home expressing an opinion about it. Talk about places I have visited and say how that place was similar or different to my usual environment. ELG: Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. 	 Answer geographical questions (such as: What or who will I see in this place? What do people do in this place?) Identify locations as cities, towns, coastal, rural and urban areas. Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries, the continents of the world and the oceans. Use maps, aerial images and plan perspectives to recognise landmarks. Name and locate the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas. Name and locate the world's continents and oceans. 	 Ask and answer geographical questions (such as: What is this place like? What or who will I see in this place? What do people do in this place?) Identify the key features of a location in order to say whether it is a city, town, village, coastal or rural area. Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify countries (e.g. India, Antarctica), including reference to the continents and oceans. Use maps, aerial images and plan perspectives to recognise basic physical and human features.
To investigate patterns	Talk about natural and built environments and listen to different points of view on the quality of an environment.	 Identify the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles. 	 Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the United Kingdom and of a contrasting country (E.g. India). Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom.
To communicate geographically	 Children will be exposed to stories set in different places and encouraged to use basic geographical language (e.g. sea, beach, forest, hill, town, village, farm, river etc). 	 Use basic geographical language to refer to: key physical features, including: beach, coast, forest, hill, mountain, ocean, sea, lake, river, soil, valley, vegetation. key human features, including: capital city, town, shop, house, school. Use compass directions (north, south, east and west) and locational language (e.g. near and far) to describe the location of features and routes on a map. Devise a simple map; and use and construct basic symbols in a key. 	 Use basic geographical language to refer to: key physical features, including: beach, coast, forest, hill, mountain, ocean, sea, lake, river, soil, valley, vegetation, climate and weather. key human features, including: capital city, city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office and shop.

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Key Stage Two:

	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
To investigate places	 Ask and answer geographical questions about the physical and human characteristics of a location. Identify geographical evidence which supports a statement. Use maps, digital mapping to locate countries and describe features. Identify human and physical features of a location. Name and locate counties and cities of the United Kingdom, their geographical regions and their identifying human and physical characteristics: hills, mountains, cities. Describe land-use patterns. 	 Continue to ask and answer geographical questions about the physical and human characteristics of a location. Describe how the physical features affect the human activity within a location. Use geographical evidence to justify <u>opinions</u> about a location (e.g. I would prefer to live). Use maps, atlases, globes and digital mapping to locate countries and describe features. Use a range of resources to identify the key physical and human features of a location. Name and locate countries studied (e.g Nepal) and identify their main human and physical characteristics: cities, rivers, volcanoes, mountains. Describe how land-use patterns have changed over time. 	 Analyse statistics and other information in order to draw clear conclusions about locations. Use a range of geographical resources to describe the features of a location. Identify the same feature on a variety of different representations (e.g. map, satellite image, plan perspective) Name and locate the countries and cities of Europe studied and identify their main human and physical characteristics. Continue to describe how land-use patterns have changed over time. 	 Collect and analyse statistics and other information in order to draw clear conclusions about locations. Identify and describe how the physical features affect the human activity within a location. Use a range of geographical resources to give detailed descriptions and opinions of the characteristic features of a location. Choose the representation best suited for a specific purpose (effects of climate change, comparing settlements). Name and locate some of the countries and cities of the world and their identifying human and physical characteristics: deserts, rainforests, fertile land, cities. Explain how land-use patterns have changed over time.
To investigate patterns	 Begin to describe geographical similarities and differences between places (e.g UK and N. America) Identify and describe the geographical significance of latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere. Begin to describe how locations around the world are changing. 	Describe geographical similarities and differences between countries.	 Describe how locations around the world are changing and explain some of the reasons for change. 	 Understand some of the reasons for geographical similarities and differences between countries. Continue to describe how locations around the world are changing and explain some of the reasons for change. Describe how countries and geographical regions are interconnected and interdependent (e.g. climate change). Identify and describe the geographical significance of latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn.
To communicate geographically	 Describe key aspects of: physical geography, including: mountains, valleys, biomes (tundra), human geography, including: settlements and land use. Use key terminology including: Arctic, tundra, permafrost, Equator latitude, longitude and Greenwich Meridian. Use the eight points of a compass, figure grid references, symbols and key to communicate knowledge of the United Kingdom. 	 Describe key aspects of: physical geography, including: rivers, volcanoes and earthquakes. human geography, including: settlements and land use. Use the eight points of a compass, figure grid references, symbols and key to communicate knowledge of the United Kingdom and the wider world. Use key terminology including: settlement, land-use, rural, urban, industrial, agricultural. 	 Describe key aspects of: physical geography, including: water cycle, rivers, mountains, climate and weather human geography, including: settlements, land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources including minerals, food and water. 	 Describe and understand key aspects of: physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes and the water cycle. human geography, including: settlements, land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water.

 Devise a map; and use and construct symbols in a key. 		