Geography Knowledge and Skills

<u>Year 1</u>

Geographical skills and	Locational Knowledge	Human and Physical	Place Knowledge
Fieldwork Ask simple geographical questions, eg 'What is it like to live in this place?' Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a	Name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans.	Geography Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical features including: beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, valley, vegetation, season and weather.	Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the UK and a small area of a contrasting non-European country.
small area of the UK and a small area of a contrasting non-European country. Ask simple geographical	Name and locate the	Describe weather and	Know about some changes
questions, eg 'What is it like to live in this place?'	world's seven continents and five oceans. Identify the United Kingdom and its countries.	seasonal changes.	that are happening in the local environment. (Seasonal weather patterns)
	Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns of the United Kingdom and the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles.		



Use simple observational	Understand how some	Use basic geographical	Name, describe and
skills to study the geography	places are linked to other	vocabulary to refer to key	compare familiar places.
of the school and its	places eg roads, trains.	human features including:	
grounds.		city, town, village, factory,	Link their homes with other
Use simple maps of the local		farm, house, office, port,	places in their local
area eg large scale, pictorial		harbour and shop.	community.
etc.			
			Know about some present
Use locational and			changes that are happening
directional language (eg			in the local environment eg
near and far; left and right)			at school.
to describe the location of			
features and routes.			Suggest ideas for improving
			the school environment.
Make simple maps and			
plans eg pictorial place in a			
story.			

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Fieldwork		Geography	
Use world maps, atlases and	Name and locate the	Use basic geographical	Understand geographical
globes to identify the United	world's seven continents	vocabulary to refer to key	similarities and differences
Kingdom and its countries,	and five oceans.	physical features including:	through studying the human
as well as the countries,		beach, cliff, coast, forest,	and physical geography of a
continents and oceans	Identify seasonal and daily	hill, mountain, sea, ocean,	small area of the UK and a
studied at this key stage.	weather patterns of the	river, soil, valley, vegetation,	small area of a contrasting
	United Kingdom and the	season and weather.	country.
	location of hot and cold		
	areas of the world in	Use basic geographical	
	relation to the Equator and	vocabulary to refer to key	
	the North and South Poles.	human features including:	
		city, town, village, factory,	
		farm, house, office, port, harbour and shop.	
Use world maps, atlases and	Name, locate and identify	Use basic geographical	
globes to identify the	characteristics of the four	vocabulary to refer to key	
United Kingdom and its	countries and capital cities	physical features including:	
countries, as well as the	of the United Kingdom and	beach, cliff, coast, forest,	
countries, continents and	its surrounding seas.	hill, mountain, sea, ocean,	
oceans studied at this key	,	river, soil, valley, vegetation,	
stage.		season and weather.	
Use simple fieldwork and			
observational skills to study			
the geography of their			
school and its grounds and			



the key human and physical		
features of its surrounding		
environment.		
Use simple compass		
directions (North, South,		
East and West) and		
locational and directional		
language eg near and far;		
left and right, to describe		
the location of features and		
routes on a map.		
Use aerial photographs and		
plan perspectives to		
recognise landmarks and		
basic human and physical	,	
features; devise a simple		
map using a key.		

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Analyse evidence and draw conclusions eg make comparisons between locations using aerial photos/pictures, eg pollution, temperatures etc.	Understand and use a widening range of geographical terms eg specific topic vocabularymeander, floodplain, location, industry, transport, settlement, water cycle etc.	Describe and understand key aspects of physical geography including climate zones, biomes, vegetation belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes, earthquakes and the water cycle.	Know about the wider context of places – region, county.
Understand and use a widening range of topic specific vocabulary eg contour, height, valley, erosion, deposition, transportation, headland, volcanoes, earthquakes etc.	Recognise that people have differing quality of life living in different locations and environments.	, and the second	
Use fieldwork instruments eg camera, rain gauge.			
Use the 8 points on a compass.			
Make maps with symbols and keys.			
Ask and respond to geographical questions eg 'Can you describe the	Recognise that people have differing quality of life living	Compare the physical and human features of a region of the UK and a region in	Know about the wider context of places – region, county.



landscape?' 'Why is it like this?' 'How is it changing?' 'What do you think will happen if continues?'	in different locations and environments.	South America, identifying similarities and differences.	
Recognise that different people hold different views about an issue and begin to understand some of the reasons why.			
Use the 8 points on a compass.			

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Fieldwork		Geography	
Make more detailed	Name, locate and identify	Describe human features of	Know about the wider
fieldwork sketches/diagrams	characteristics of the seas	UK regions, cities or	context of places – region,
	surrounding the United	counties.	county.
Use fieldwork instruments	Kingdom.		
eg camera, rain gauge.		Understand the effect of	
	Identify where countries are	landscape features on the	
Use the 8 points on a	within the UK and the key	development of a locality.	
compass.	topographical features.		
		Describe how people have	
	Name and locate cities of	been affected by changes in	
	the UK.	their environment.	
Identify the position and	Recognise the different	Explore weather patterns	
significance of latitude,	shapes of continents.	around parts of the world.	
longitude, Equator,			
Northern Hemisphere,	Demonstrate knowledge		
Southern Hemisphere, the	about places around		
Tropics of Cancer and	him/her and beyond the UK.		
Capricon, the Arctic Circle,			
the Prime Meridian and	Identify where countries are		
time zones.	within Europe; including		
	Russia.		
Locate the world's			
countries, using maps to	Identify and describe the		
focus on different	significance of the		
continents, concentrating	Prime/Greenwich Meridian		



on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics and major cities. Use the 8 points on a compass.	and time zones including day and night.		
Measure straight line distances using the appropriate scale. Draw accurate maps with complex keys and symbols. Use the 8 points on a compass.	Name and locate cities of the UK.	Describe human features of UK regions, cities or counties. Understand the effect of landscape features on the development of a locality. Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a contrasting region of the United Kingdom.	Recognise that there are similarities and differences between places. Develop an awareness of how places relate to each other. Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a contrasting region of the United Kingdom.

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Fieldwork		Geography	
Plan the steps and strategies	Locate the world's	Understand how humans	
for an enquiry.	countries, using maps to	affect the environment over	
	focus on different	time.	
	continents, concentrating		
	on their environmental	Know about changes to	
	regions, key physical and	world environments over	
	human characteristics and	time.	
	major cities.		
		Understand why people	
	Identify the position and	seek to manage and	
	significance of latitude,	maintain their environment.	
	longitude, Equator,		
	Northern Hemisphere,	Know about changes to	
	Southern Hemisphere, the	world environments over	
	Tropics of Cancer and	time.	
	Capricon, the Arctic Circle,		
	the Prime Meridian and	Describe and understand	
	time zones.	key aspects of human	
		geography including: types	
		of settlement and land use,	
		economic activity including	
		trade links and the	
		distribution of natural	
		resources including energy,	
		food, minerals and water.	



Use maps, atlases, globes	Identify where countries	Describe and understand	Know about the wider
and digital mapping to	are within Europe, including	key aspects of human	context of places – region,
locate countries and	Russia.	geography including: types	county.
describe features studied.		of settlement and land use,	
	Recognise the different	economic activity including	
Use the 8 points on a	shapes of countries.	trade links and the	
compass.		distribution of natural	
	Know locations of:	resources including energy,	
	Capital cities and countries	food, minerals and water.	
	of British Isles and UK, seas		
	around UK, European Union		
	countries with high		
	populations and large areas		
	and the largest cities in each		
	continent.		

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	Fieldwork		Geography	
Rivers Around the World	Use maps, atlases, globes	Identify where countries	Know about the physical	Know about the wider
	and digital mapping to	are within Europe, including	features of coasts and begin	context of places – region,
	locate countries and	Russia.	to understand erosion and	county.
	describe features studied.		deposition.	
	Understand and use a		Know how rivers erode,	
	widening range of topic		transport and deposit	
	specific vocabulary eg		materials	
	urban, rural, land use,			
	sustainability, tributary,		Describe and understand	
	trade links etc.		key aspects of physical	
			geography including climate	
	Use the 8 points on a		zones, biomes, vegetation	
	compass.		belts, rivers, mountains,	
			volcanoes, earthquakes and	
			the water cycle.	
School Journey	Plan the steps and strategies			Know about the wider
	for an enquiry.		Describe and understand	context of places – region,
			key aspects of human	county.
	Understand and use a		geography including: types	
	widening range of topic		of settlement and land use,	Explore features on OS
	specific vocabulary eg		economic activity including	maps using 6 figure grid
	urban, rural, land use,		trade links and the	references.
	sustainability, tributary,		distribution of natural	
	trade links etc.		resources including energy,	Use the eight points of a
			food, minerals and water.	compass, four and six-figure

Use the 8 points on a compass.		grid references and keys to build his/her knowledge of the United Kingdom and the
		wider world.