

Geography Progression of Skills

Early Years

- Comments and asks questions about aspects of their familiar world such as the place where they live or the natural world.
- Shows understanding of prepositions such as 'under', 'on top', 'behind' by carrying out an action or selecting correct picture.
- Can talk about some of things they have observes such as plants, animals, natural and found objects.
- Question why things happen and give explanations.
- Developing an understanding of growth, decay and changes over time.
- Shows care and concerns for living things and the environment.
- Looks closely at similarities, differences, patterns and change.
- Creates simple representations of events, people and objects.

LOCATIONAL KNOWLEDGE					
Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
 I can locate the United Kingdom on a map. I can name the four countries of the United Kingdom. I can locate the four countries of the United Kingdom on a map. I can name the capital cities of the United Kingdom. I can locate the capital cities of the United Kingdom on a map. I can describe the characteristics of the four countries of the United Kingdom. I can describe the characteristics of the characteristics of the characteristics of the characteristics of the capital cities of the United Kingdom. 	 I can locate the Equator and the North and South Poles on a map or globe. I can identify hot and cold places on a map. I can locate where I live in the world. I can name the seven continents. I can name the five oceans. I can locate the seven continents on a map. I can locate the five oceans on a map. I can locate a contrasting locality– Kenya I can identify common animals in a contrasting locality 	 I can identify where I live in the UK. I can locate the UK's counties. I can locate the UK's cities. I can locate Europe on a map. I can identify and locate where countries are within Europe; including Russia I can locate Europe's capitals. I can recognise that people have differing quality of life living in different locations and environments I can label the Earth's plates and plate boundaries. I can locate where famous earthquakes have occurred. I can locate where famous volcanic eruptions have occurred. 	 I can describe what a mountain is. I can locate the world's 'Seven Summits' on a map. I can locate the UK's highest mountains. I can locate the world's longest rivers on a map. I can locate my local area and explain how it fits in with other places near and far 	 I can identify the position of lines of latitude and longitude. I can describe the significance of lines of latitude and longitude. I can identify the position and significance of the Equator. I can identify the position and significance of the Tropic of Capricorn. I can use a map of time zones around the world to calculate the time of day in different places. I can explain how the location of the biome affects its climate. I can identify different lines of latitude, including the Equator, on a map. I can explain the significance of key lines of latitude including the equator. I can explain the significance of the 	 I can name and locate some of the countries and cities of the world I can explain how locations around the world are changing and explain some of the reasons for change. I can locate Asia on a world map. I can locate countries in Asia. I can identify the position of lines of latitude and longitude. I can use latitude and longitude to locate places. I can identify the position and significance of the Equator. I can identify the position and significance of the Equator. I can use a map of time zones around the world to calculate the time of

	Northern and Southern Hemispheres. • I can locate South America on a world map • I can locate countries i South America. • I can identify the position of lines of latitude and longitude. • I can use latitude and longitude to locate places. • I can identify the position and significance of the Equator. • I can identify the position and significance of the Tropic of Capricorn.	 and France on a world map. I can use a map of time zones around the world to calculate the time of day in the US, UK and France.
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PLACE BASED KNOWLEDGE

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
• I can identify the type	 I can recognise the 	 I can compare and 	• I can name different	 I can define the 	 I can name and locate
of settlement I live in.	features of a hot	contrast the different	types of mountains.	difference between	some of the countries in
 I can identify 	place.	countries in the UK.	 I can describe how 	weather and climate.	the world's human and
differences between	 I can recognise the 	 I can identify the 	different types of	 I can describe the 	physical characteristics,
rural and urban areas.	features of a cold	physical characteristics	mountains are formed.	location of different	including hills,
 I can identify and 	place.	of the	 I can describe the 	climate zones around the	mountains, rivers and
record the features of	 I can identify animals 	UK.	climate of mountains.	world.	other key topographical
our school grounds.	that live in a cold	 I can explain how 	 I can recognise the 	 I can describe the 	features.
	place.	human activities have	importance of the	weather of a typical day	

 I can explain what a physical feature is. I can explain what a human feature is. I can order the months of the year. I can name the seasons. I can order the seasons. I can identify differences between the types of weather experienced in different seasons in the UK. I can identify aspects of the weather and how it affects my local environment. I can explain how the weather affects the activities we do. 	 I can identify animals that live in a hot place. I can explain what I would wear in a hot and a cold place. I can explain how animals adapt to living in a cold place. I can explain how animals adapt to living in a hot place. I can identify the physical features of a continent. I can identify the human features of a continent. I can describe physical features of a contrasting locality. I can describe human features of a contrasting locality. I can describe the food people eat in a contrasting locality. I can describe what daily life is like in a contrasting locality. I can understand Geographical 	affected the UK's landscape. • I can describe the sort of industries in which people in the UK work. • I can identify the different types of energy sources used in the UK. • I can describe different types of European cuisine. • I can describe a range of physical and human features in a region of Europe. • I can use key facts and persuasive techniques to convince someone to holiday in the Mediterranean. • I can compare life in Italy (or Rome) with my life and my local area. • I can describe what an earthquake is. • I know what to do in the event of an earthquake or volcanic eruption. • I can explain why and where earthquakes occur.	 Himalayas for people living in the region. I can describe the landscape of a world- famous mountain or mountainous region. I can explain what a river is. I can identify the stages of a river. I can identify the features of a river. I can describe how rivers are used around the world. I can explain the way land use changes from the source to the mouth. I can recognise and explain how human activity affects rivers. I can explain the stages of the water cycle. I can describe the distinctive human and physical features of the local area I can make a map to show what we have 	in a place with a contrasting climate. I can identify the key characteristics of different climate zones around the world. • I can identify different biomes around the world. • I can identify a range of South America's physical features. • I can identify a range of South America's human features. • I can compare key facts about Brazil (or the Amazon basin) with our country (or region). • I can describe the key characteristics of the Amazon basin. • I can summarise what I have learnt about the Amazon basin.	 I can explain and discuss a range of reasons for geographical similarities and differences between countries I can recognise some of the shapes of countries. I can identify a range of Asia's physical features. I can identify a range of Asia's human features. I can compare key facts about a country in Asia with our country (or region). I can summarise what I have learnt about a chosen country in Asia. I can identify a range of physical features in France, the US and the UK. I can compare the physical and human features of a region of the UK, the US and France, identifying
	• I can understand	where earthquakes	• I can make a map to		the UK, the US and

and physical	disadvantages of living	• I can explain how our	• I can compare key facts
geography of a s		local area has changed	about the US and France
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area of the Unite	· · · ·	over time	with our country.
Kingdom, and in	where volcanic eruptions	 I can explain how our 	 I can evaluate the
Kenya	occur.	local area will change in	advantages and
	 I can write a report 	the future.	disadvantages of living
	about a famous		the UK, US and France.
	earthquake or volcanic		
	eruption.		
	 I can describe and 		
	explain what kind of help		
	people need after an		
	earthquake or volcanic		
	eruption.		
	 I can reflect on how 		
	volcanoes and		
	earthquakes are linked.		

GEOGRAPHICAL SKILLS AND FIELDWORK

	Year 5 Year 6
record the key human and physical features of our local area.similarities and differences between the way we live and the way people live in a contrasting locality.advantages and disadvantages of wind energy.mountain environment found in the UK.graph to precipital energy.• I can describe a journey through our local area.• I can use online contrasting locality.• I can use online resources (including maps) to find out about the geography of a European country.• I can use online resources (including maps) to identify the key of the world's highest mountains.• I can use online resources (including maps) to identify the key of the world's highest mountains.• I can use online resources (including maps) to identify the key of the world's highest mountains.• I can use online resources (including maps) to identify the key of the world's highest mountains.• I can use of the world's highest mountains.• I can use of the world's highest mountains.• I can use of the world's highest mountains.	 I can use 4-figure and Generation data. I can use 4-figure and Generation data. Generation data. I can use 4-figure and I can use 4-figure and Generation data. I can use 4-figure and I can use

photography or plan perspectives.

• I can devise a simple map of our local area with my own symbols in a key

• I can identify and record daily weather patterns.

• I can identify the effect of earthquakes and volcanic eruptions on land.

• I can identify the effect of earthquakes and volcanic eruptions on people.

- I can use online resources (including maps) to identify the key characteristics of one of the world's longest rivers.
- I can use fieldwork to find out more about our local area.

maps) to find out about
the world's longest
rivers.
I can explain the
importance of the
Amazon

rainforest.

images compared with maps and topological maps – as in London's Tube map)

• I can create maps of locations, identifying patterns such as: land use, climate zones, population densities and height of land.

• I can use online resources (including maps) to find out about the Asia's longest rivers and highest mountains.

• I can use online resources (including maps) to find out about the UK, France and the US's key geographical features and evaluate the resource's effectiveness.