

Progression of Skills in Geography							
Class/Year group	Fieldwork	Map skills	Place and Locational skills	Human and Physical Geography			
Class 1	Gather information: • Use basic observational	Year 1 Using maps	name and locate the world's seven continents and five	Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the			
Key Stage 1 Year 1 &2	skills. Carry out a small survey of the local area/school Draw simple features Ask and respond to basic geographical questions Ask a familiar person prepared questions Use a pro-forma to collect data e.g. tally survey Sketching: Create plans and raw simple features in their familiar environment. Add labels onto a sketch map, map or photograph of features	 Use a simple picture map to move around the school. Use relative vocabulary such as bigger, smaller, like, dislike Use directional language such as near and far, up and down, left and right, forwards and backwards Map knowledge Use world maps to identify the UK in its position in the world. Use maps to locate the four countries and capital cities of UK and its surrounding seas. 	oceans. name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas. 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	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 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 key human features, inc. city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour, shop			
	Audio/Visual:	Making maps					
	 Recognise a photo or a video as a record of what has been seen or heard. Use a camera in the field to help to record what is seen 	 Draw basic maps, including appropriate symbols and pictures to represent places or features. Use photographs and maps to identify features. 					

Year 2: Using maps

- Follow a route on a map.
- Use simple compass directions (North, South, East, West)
- Use aerial photographs and plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features.

Map knowledge

- Locate and name on a world map and globe the seven continents and five oceans.
- Locate on a globe and world map the hot and cold areas of the world including the Equator and the North and South Poles

Making maps

- Draw or make a map of real or imaginary places (e.g. add detail to a sketch map from aerial photograph)
- Use and construct basic symbols in a key.

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Class 2 Lower Key Stage 2 Year 3 & 4	 Gather information: Ask geographical questions. Use a simple database to present findings from fieldwork. Record findings from fieldtrips Use a database to present findings Use appropriate terminology. Sketching: Draw an annotated sketch from observation including descriptive / explanatory labels and indicating direction. 	 Year 3: Follow a route on a map with some accuracy. Locate places using a range of maps including OS & digital. Begin to match boundaries (e.g. find same boundary of a country on different scale maps) Use 4 figure compasses, and letter/number co-ordinates to identify features on a map. Map knowledge Locate the UK on a variety of different scale maps. Name & locate the counties and cities of the UK. 	 Locate the world's countries, using maps to focus on Europe (including the location of Russia) and North and South America, concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries, and major cities. Name and locate counties and cities of the United Kingdom, geographical regions and their identifying human and physical characteristics, key topographical features (including hills, mountains, coasts and rivers), and landuse patterns; and understand how some of these aspects 	 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: types of settlement and land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water
	 Audio/Visual: Select views to photograph. Add titles and labels giving date and location information. Consider how photos provide useful evidence. Use a camera independently. Locate position of a photo on a map 	 Making maps Try to make a map of a short route experiences, with features in current order. Create a simple scale drawing. Use standard symbols and understand the importance of a key. 	 have changed over time. Identify the position and significance of latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic Circle, the Prime/ Greenwich Meridian and time zones (including day and night) 	

Year 4: Using maps

- Follow a route on a largescale map.
- Locate places on a range of maps (variety of scales)
- Identify features on an aerial photograph, digital or computer map.
- Begin to use 8 figure compass and four figure grid references to identify features on a map.

Map knowledge

- Locate Europe on a largescale map or globe,
- Name and locate countries in Europe (including Russia) and their capitals cities.

Making maps

- Recognise and use OS map symbols, including completion of a key and understanding why it is important.
- Draw a sketch map from a high viewpoint.

 Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom, a region in a European country, and a region within North or South America

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Class 3 Upper Key Stage 2 Year 5&6	 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 Sketching: Evaluate their sketch against set criteria and improve it. Use sketches as evidence in an investigation. Select field sketching from a variety of techniques Annotate sketches to describe and explain geographical processes and patterns Audio/Visual: Make a judgement about the best angle or viewpoint 	 Year 5: Using maps Compare maps with aerial photographs. Select a map for a specific purpose. 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. Map knowledge Locate the world's countries, focus on North & South America Identify the position and significance of lines of longitude & latitude. Making maps Draw a variety of thematic maps based on their own data. Draw a sketch map using symbols and a key, Use and recognise OS map symbols regularly. 	 Locate the world's countries, using maps to focus on Europe (including the location of Russia) and North and South America, concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries, and major cities. Name and locate counties and cities of the United Kingdom, geographical regions and their identifying human and physical characteristics, key topographical features (including hills, mountains, coasts and rivers), and landuse patterns; and understand how some of these aspects have changed over time. Identify the position and significance of latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic Circle, the Prime/ Greenwich Meridian and time zones (including day and night) 	 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: types of settlement and land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water

- when taking an image or completing a sketch.
- Use photographic evidence in their investigations
- Evaluate the usefulness of the images

Year 6: Using maps

- Follow a short route on an OS map.
- Describe the features shown on an OS map
- Use atlases to find out data about other places
- Use 8 figure compass and 6 figure grid reference accurately
- Use lines of longitude and latitude on maps

Map knowledge

• Locate the world's countries on a variety of maps, including the areas studied throughout the Key Stages.

Making maps

- Draw plans of increasing complexity.
- Begin to use and recognise atlas symbols.

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