

Progression of Skills in Geography

These are the minimum end of year expectations for our EYFS learners in relation to Understanding the World		This document shows how History objectives are designed in a progressive way to ensure learners become more proficient historians as they move through the school, securing and applying the history mastery objectives. Each teacher should be aware of their own history objectives, and of those which have come before.						
	EYFS	Year I	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Key vocabulary exposed to but not limited to	same, different, similar then, now, before, after, next Autumn, Winter, Spring, Summer, buildings, street, town, park, map, place, globe	United Kingdom, England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, town, city, village, sea, beach, hill, mountain, London, Belfast, Cardiff, Edinburgh, capital city, seasons	compass, 4-point, direction, North, East, South, West, plan, record, observe, aerial view, key, map, symbols, direction, position, route, journey, the UK, changes, tally chart, pictogram, world map, country, continent, human, physical, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour and shop.	latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic Circle, the Prime/Greenwich Meridian and time zones sketch map, map, aerial view, feature, annotation, landmark, distance, key, symbol, land use, urban, rural, population, coordinates.	human feature, physical feature, region, settlement, community, population, government, land use, resources, trade, farming, architecture, transport, culture, language, religion, ocean, plain, desert, northern hemisphere, southern hemisphere, climate, vegetation, biomes, tropical, temperate, polar, rainforests	environmental disaster, settlement, efficiency, conservation, carbon footprint, peak, plateau, fold mountain, fault block mountain, fault block mountain, volcanic mountain, volcanic mountain, plateau mountain, tourism, positive, negative, economic, social, environmental, coordinates, latitude, longitude, contour, altitude, peaks, slopes, continent, country, city, North America, South America, border, key.	resources, services, goods, electricity, supply, generation, renewable, non- renewable, solar power, wind power, biomass, origin, import, export, environmental disaster, settlement, resources, services, goods, supply, generation, origin, trade, efficiency, tourism, negative, economic, social, coordinates, latitude, longitude, key, symbol, Ordnance Survey, Silva compass, legend, borders, fieldwork, measure, observe, record, map, sketch, graph.	

Place knowledge	I can talk about the features of my own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another	I can name, describe and compare familiar places with other places in my local community and know about some present changes that are happening in the local environment	I understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the United Kingdom and of a small area in a contrasting non- European country	I understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom I understand why there are similarities and differences between places	I can explore similarities and differences, comparing the human geography of a region of the UK and a region of South America	I can compare the physical and human features of a region of the UK and a region of North or South America, identifying similarities and differences I understand geographical and human similarities and differences through the study of physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom	l understand the geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the UK, a region of a mainland European country and a region within North or South America I can use key vocabulary to demonstrate knowledge and understanding in this strand including words such as latitude, Arctic Circle, physical features, climate, human geography, land use, settlement, economy, natural resources
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	l can talk about	l can name, locate	I can name and	I can name and locate	l demonstrate	I can identify and	I can use maps to
	similarities and	and identify	locate the world's	counties and cities of	knowledge of features	describe the	locate the world's
	differences in	characteristics of the	seven continents and	the United Kingdom,	about places around	significance of the	countries with a
	relation to places,	four countries and	five oceans	identifying human	me and beyond the	Prime/Greenwich	focus on Eastern
	objects, materials	capital cities of the		and physical	UK identify where	Meridian and time	Europe and South
	and living things	United Kingdom	I can name and	characteristics	countries are within	zones including night	America,
			locate and identify	including hills,	Europe, including	and day recognise the	concentrating on their
			characteristics of the	mountains, rivers and	Russia.	different shapes of	environmental regions,
			seas surrounding the	seas, and how a place		countries	key physical and
			United Kingdom	has changed.	I recognise that people		human
				l can identify where	have differing	l can identify the	characteristics,
				countries are within	qualities of life living	physical characteristics	countries, and major
0				the UK and the key	in different locations	and key topographical	cities.
g g				topographical features	and environments	features of the	
lle					know how the locality	countries within North	l make links with
ð					is set within a wider	America know about	deforestation of the
23					geographical context	the wider context of	rainforest and plastic
						places	pollution.
ra					I can locate the		
_ocational knowledge					world's countries,	I know and can	l can name and
at					using maps to focus	describe where a	locate counties and
8					on South America,	variety of places are	cities of the United
					concentrating on	in relation to physical	Kingdom, geographical
					environmental regions	and human features	regions and their
					and key physical and		identifying human
					human characteristics	I know the location of:	and physical
						capital cities of	characteristics, key
						countries in the British	topographical features
						Isles and UK, seas	(including hills,
						around the UK,	mountains, coasts and
						European Union	rivers), and land-use
						countries with high	patterns and
						populations and large	understand how some
						areas.	of these aspects have
							changed over time

Human and physical geography	I can make observations of the environment and explain why some things occur and talk about changes	I can describe seasonal weather changes I can use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key human features, including: city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour and shop I can 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	I can identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in 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. I can use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key human features, including: city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour and shop.	I understand some physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes, volcanoes, tornadoes, tsunamis, earthquakes and the water cycle. I can explain about weather conditions/patterns around the UK and parts of the Europe	I understand the effect of landscape features on the development of a locality I can describe how people have been affected by changes in the environment I can explain about natural resources e.g. water in the locality I will explore weather patterns around parts of the world	I know about the physical features of coasts and begin to understand erosion and deposition I understand how humans affect the environment over time, I know about changes to the world environments over time understand why people seek to manage and sustain their environment	I can explain physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts, mountains 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 I will focus on canals and rivers in Birmingham
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	l can use everyday	I can use world maps,	l can use simple	l understand can use a	l can use maps,	l can use maps,	l can use maps,
	language to talk	atlases and globes to	compass directions	widening range of	atlases, globes and	atlases, globes and	atlases, globes and
	about positions and	identify the countries,	and locational and	geographical terms e.g.	digital/computer	digital/computer	digital/computer
	distance to solve	continents and oceans	directional to describe	specific topic	mapping to locate	mapping to locate	mapping to locate
	problems.	studied at this key	the location of	vocabulary — meander,	countries and describe	countries and describe	countries and describe
	l can describe my	stage	features and routes	floodplain, location,	features studied	features	features
	relative position such		on a map	industry, transport,			
	as behind or next to.	l can devise a simple		settlement, water cycle	I can use symbols and	l can use the eight	I can use the eight
Geographical skills and fieldwork		map; and use and	l can devise a simple	etc.	keys (including the use	points of a compass,	points of a compass,
Ň		construct basic	map and use and	l can use basic	of Ordnance Survey	four and six-figure	four and six-figure
Iq		symbols in a key	construct basic	geographical	maps), to build their	grid references,	grid references,
fie			symbols in a key	vocabulary such as	knowledge of the	symbols and key	symbols and key
		l can use simple		cliff, ocean, valley,	United Kingdom and	(including the use of	(including the use of
иo		fieldwork and	l can use world maps,	vegetation, soil,	the wider world.	Ordnance Survey	Ordnance Survey
в 1		observational skills to	atlases and globes to	mountain, port,		maps) to build	maps) to build
lls		study the geography	identify the countries,	harbour, factory,		knowledge of the	knowledge of the
ski		of the surrounding	continents and oceans	office make more		United Kingdom and	United Kingdom and
		area		detailed fieldwork		the wider world.	the wider world
Ca				sketches/diagrams			
Li Li							I use fieldwork to
ab				I can use and interpret			observe, measure,
2 D				maps, globes, atlases			record and present
60				and digital/computer			human features
O				mapping to locate			using a range of
				countries and key			methods, including
				features use four			sketch maps, plans
				figure grid references.			and graphs, and
				I can use the 8 points			digital technologies
				of a compass make			
				of a compass make plans and maps using			
				symbols and keys			
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