

Geography Knowledge and Skills Progression Document

Key Area	EYFS	Year 1 and 2	Year 3 and 4	Year 5 and 6
Geographical skills and fieldwork	 Know that there is land and sea. Draw information from a simple map. Discuss routes and locations, using words like 'in front of' and 'behind' 	 Use world maps, atlases and globes Use simple compass directions Use aerial photos, construct simple maps Undertake simple fieldwork within school locality 	 Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied Use the 8 points of a compass, 4- and 6-figure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps) to build their knowledge of the United Kingdom and the wider world Use fieldwork to observe, measure and record the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital technologies. 	
Place and locational knowledge	 Know that we live in England, UK. Know that a map represents different places. Know that there 	 Know the names of the four countries that make up the UK and name the three main seas that surround the UK Know the name of and locate the four capital cities of England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland 	 Know at least five differences between living in the UK and a Mediterranean country Use maps to locate European countries and capitals 	 Know how to use six-figure grid references Know what most of the ordnance survey symbols stand for Know about time zones and work out differences

	are different countries in the world and talk about the differences they have experienced or seen in photos. •Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps.	 Know their address, including postcode Know the main differences between a place in England and that of a small place in a non-European country Know the names of and locate the seven continents of the world Know the names of and locate the five oceans of the world Know which is N, E, S and W on a compass 		 Locate the world's countries, using maps, to focus on North or South America and concentrating on their key physical and human characteristics, countries, and major cities. Know key differences between living in the UK and in a country in North or South America Know how to use graphs to record features such as temperature or rainfall across the world Know the names of most North or South American countries
Human and physical geography	 Know that there are different types of weather and it is linked to the seasons. Recognize some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries. Recognize some environments that are different to the one in which they live. 	 Know features of hot and cold places in the world Know which is the hottest and coldest season in the UK Know and recognize main weather symbols Know where the equator, North Pole and South Pole are on a globe Identify the following physical features: mountain, lake, island, valley, river, cliff, forest and beach 	 Describe and understand key aspects of physical geography, including: volcanoes and earthquakes Know what causes an earthquake Know the different parts of a volcano Know what a Tsunami is Describe and understand key aspects of physical geography, including:, rivers, and the water cycle Know that most of the major cities of the world are located close to a river Know the name of many of Europe's capitals and major cities 	 Describe and understand key aspects of physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes, and the water cycle Know what is meant by biomes and what are the features of a specific biome Know the terms: emergent layer, canopy, understory and forest floor and be able to label them on a diagram

a city, town or village				•Know the difference between living in a city, town or village	
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