

# Geography Curriculum Overview



	Term 1		Term 2		Term 3		Term 4		Term 5		Term 6	
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EYFS	Marvellous Me!		Out of this World Celebrations!		Amazing Animals!		Our Wonderful World!		Ready, Steady, Grow!		Castles, Knights and Dragons!	
Year 1/2			Would you prefer to live in a hot or a cold place?	How is life different in China?					What is the weather like in the UK?	What can you see at the coast?		
Year 3/4			Why do people live near volcanoes?	Why are rainforests important to us?					Who lives in Antarctica?	Where does our food come from?		What are rivers and how are they formed?
Year 5/6			What is life like in the Alps?	Why does population change?					Why do oceans matter?	Would you like to live in a desert?		How could we make our local area more environmentally friendly?

National Curriculum Subject Content						
Key Stage 1	Key Stage 2					
Pupils should be taught to:	Pupils should be taught to:					
Locational Knowledge	Locational Knowledge					
Name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans	Locate the world's counties, using maps to focus on Europe (including the location					
<ul> <li>Name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas</li> </ul>	of Russia) and North and South America, concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries and major cities					
Place Knowledge  • Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the UK and of a small area in a contrasting non-European country	<ul> <li>Name and locate counties and cities in the UK, geographical regions and their identifying human and physical characteristics, key topological features (including hills, mountains, coasts and rivers), and land use patterns; and understand how some of these aspects have changed over time</li> <li>Identify the position and significance of latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>Human and Physical Geography</li> <li>Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the UK and the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles</li> </ul>	and Antarctic Circle, the Prime/Greenwich Meridian and time zones (including day and night)					
Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to:	Place Knowledge					

- Key physical features, including: beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, rive, soil, valley, vegetation, season and weather
- Key human features, including: city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour and shop

#### Geographical Skills and Fieldwork

- Use maps, atlases and globes to identify the UK and its countries, as well as the countries, continents and oceans studied at this key stage
- Use simple compass directions (North, South, East and West) and locational and directional language e.g. near and far, left and right, to describe the location of features and routes on a map
- Use aerial photographs ad plan perspective to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features; devise a simple map; and use and construct basic symbols in a key.
- Use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of their school and its ground and the key human and physical features of its surrounding environment

• Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of eth UK, a region of a European country and a region within North or South America

#### **Human and Physical Geography**

- Describe and understand key aspects of:
  - Physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes and earthquake 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

#### Geographical Skills and Fieldwork

- Use maps, atlases, globes, digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied
- Use the eight points of a compass, four and six figure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance Survey Maps) to build their knowledge of the UK and wider world
- Use fieldwork to observe, measure and record human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps, plans, graphs and digital technologies

### **EYFS**

## Children in EYFS will be learning to:

- Draw information from a simple map
- Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries
- Explore the natural world around them
- Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside
- Recognise some environments that are different from the one in which they live