

Key Stage 1 Geography

National Curriculum Requirements of Geography at Key Stage 1

Pupils should develop knowledge about the world, the United Kingdom and their locality. They should understand basic subject-specific vocabulary relating to human and physical geography and begin to use geographical skills, including first-hand observation, to enhance their locational awareness

Pupils should be taught to:

Location knowledge

name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans

name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas

Place Knowledge

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

Human and physical geography

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

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, including: city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour and shop

Geographical skills and fieldwork

use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom 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 and plan perspectives 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 grounds and the key human and physical features of its surrounding environment.

Knowledge, Skills and Understanding breakdown for Geography

Year 2

Geographical Enquiry	Physical Geography	Human Geography	Geographical Knowledge
<p>Can they label a diagram or photograph using some geographical words?</p> <p>Can they find out about a locality by using different sources of evidence?</p> <p>Can they find out about a locality by asking some good questions to someone else?</p> <p>Can they say what they like and don't like about their locality and another locality like the seaside?</p>	<p>Can they describe some physical features of own locality?</p> <p>Can they explain what makes a locality special?</p> <p>Can they describe a place outside Europe using geographical words?</p> <p>Can they describe some of the features associated with an island?</p> <p>Can they describe the key features of a place, using words like, beach, coast, forest, hill, mountain, ocean, valley?</p>	<p>Can they describe some human features of own locality, such as the jobs people do?</p> <p>Can they explain how the jobs people do may be different in different parts of the world?</p> <p>Do they think that people ever spoil the area? How?</p> <p>Do they think that people try to make the area better? How?</p> <p>Can they explain what facilities a town or village might need?</p>	<p>Can they name the continents of the world and find them in an atlas?</p> <p>Can they name the world's oceans and find them in an atlas?</p> <p>Can they name the main cities of England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland?</p> <p>Can you find where they live on a map of the UK?</p>

Year 2 (Challenging)

<p>Can they make inferences by looking at a weather chart?</p> <p>Can they make plausible predictions about what the weather may be like in different parts of the world?</p>	<p>Can they find the longest and shortest route using a map?</p> <p>Can they use a map, photographs, film or plan to describe a contrasting locality outside Europe?</p>	<p>Can they explain how the weather affects different people?</p>	<p>Can they locate some of the world's major rivers and mountain ranges?</p> <p>Can they point out the North, South, East and West associated with maps and compass?</p>
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