

Geography Progression

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National Curriculum

Locational Knowledge

* 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)

Place knowledge

* 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

Human and physical geography

* describe and understand key aspects of: * physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes and mountains * 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

Locational Knowledge
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 land-use
patterns; and understand how
some of these aspects have
changed over time

Locational Knowledge locate the world's countries, using maps to focus on Europe (including the location of Russia)

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 land-use patterns; and understand how some of these aspects have changed over time

Locational Knowledge

Locate the world's countries, using maps to focus on South America, concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries, and major cities

Human and physical geography describe and understand key aspects of vegetation belts, rivers and the water cycle

Locational Knowledge
locate the world's countries,
using maps to focus on North
America, concentrating on
their environmental regions,
key physical and human
characteristics, countries, and
major cities
Human and physical geography
describe and understand key
aspects of volcanoes and
earthquakes,



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		Describe the human	Develop the description of the	Continue to develop the	Explain how volcanoes and
		characteristics of a place by	human characteristics of a place-	description of the human	earthquakes affect the areas
		using details; how is the land	food, tourism.	characteristics of a place- food,	where they happen (people
		used?		tourism and begin to compare	and the place.)
Hum	nan		Understand and explain what life	and contrast with places	
Geog	graphy	Briefly explain what life is like	is like in cities and compare life in	previously studied.	Describe and understand the
		in cities	at least 2 different cities from		human characteristics of places
			across Europe	Identify and sequence a range	from across the globe and be
		Describe how volcanoes and	·	of settlement sizes	able to explain the difference
		earthquakes affect the areas	Develop the description of the		in places including economic
		where they happen (people	human characteristics of a place-		activity and trade links.
		and the place.)	food, tourism.		activity and trade limits
		and the place,			Understand that the products
			Understand that the products we		we use are imported as well as
			use are imported as well as		locally produced
			locally produced.		locally produced
			locally produced.		Compare and contrast what life
			Understand where our energy		is like in a range of settlements
			and natural resources come from		urban- MK, – island – Mexico ,
			and natural resources come from		coastal area –Cornwall
		Describe a costal environment	Identify and describe the	Describe the water cycle in	Describe and understand the
		in the UK – Cornwall and	characteristics of tropical,	sequence using appropriate	
			temperate and polar climate		key physical processes involved in volcanoes and earthquakes
		compare this to Milton Keynes		vocabulary.	·
		C	zones on a globe or map using	Danasiha dha sanana	and the resulting landscape
Dhara	.:l	Compare two regions of the	appropriate vocabulary.	Describe the processes	features
Phys		UK, MK and Cornwall to a place	Burista advista di la collina	associated with rivers using	Barrier de la
Geog	graphy	in Europe – Poland	Begin to understand how climate	appropriate vocabulary.	Describe and understand a
			and vegetation are connected in		range of key physical processes
			biomes- Rainforest	Continue to develop	and the resulting landscape
				understating in how climate and	features – coastal erosion.
			Describe what the climate of a	vegetation are connected in	
			region is like and how plants and	biomes- aquatic and desert.	
			animals are adapted to it		



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			Begin to compare and contrast	
		Understand how food production	biomes from across the world	
		is influenced by climate.		
			Understand how food	
			production is influenced by	
			different climates.	
	Develop an understanding of	Develop an understanding of how	Explain some ways biomes	Understand how physical
	how different environments	different environments make up	(oceans) are valuable, why they	processes can cause hazards to
	make up the MK- villages,	Europe- villages, cities, counties,	are under threat and how they	people – volcanoes and
	cities, counties, rural, urban,	rural, urban, costal.	can be protected.	earthquakes.
	costal.			
		Explain some ways biomes	Explain several threats to	Describe some advantages and
Environm	ent Use knowledge of human and	(rainforest) are valuable, why	wildlife/habitats from across	disadvantages of living in
and Impa	ct physical features in the UK to	they are under threat and how	studies of different biomes.	hazard-prone areas.
	compare to areas in Europe	they can be protected.		
			Describe and compare	Describe and compare
	Through research of current	Describe some similarities and	similarities and differences	similarities and differences
	sources, begin to develop an	differences between regions in	between some regions in South	between some regions in
	understanding of climate	the UK and regions in Europe	America.	North America and compare
	change and the current impact			and contrast to all places
	on our world	Through research of current	Through research of current	studied across the globe
		sources and field work in the local	sources, develop an	
		area, develop an understanding	understanding of how climate	Through all research on climate
		of the human contribution to	change can be further	change, begin to develop an
		climate change	prevented	understanding of the future of
				our Earth and how we can be
				preventing further damage



Mapping and Fieldwork

	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
National Curriculum				
use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied				
♣ use the e	ight points of a compass, four and	six-figure grid references, symbols an	nd key (including the use of Ordnan	ice Survey maps) to build their
		knowledge of the United Kingdom ar	nd the wider world	
use fieldw	ork to observe, measure, record an	d present the human and physical fe		ge of methods, including sketch
		maps, plans and graphs, and digita	al technologies.	
	Use atlases, maps and globes	Use atlases, maps and globes and	Starting to relate maps to each	Confidently relate maps to
	that are labelled to locate	online mapping (Google Earth) to	other and to vertical aerial	each other and to vertical
	places.	independently locate places	photographs.	aerial photographs.
	Use large scale maps outside	Use maps at more than one scale.	Use a range of viewpoints up to	Follow routes on maps
	Naka and was simple vents	Leaste whates of features on	satellite.	Davidanina kaasuladaa that
Haina and	Make and use simple route	Locate photos of features on	lles index and sentents none of	Developing knowledge that
Using and	maps	maps.	Use index and contents page of	purpose, scale, symbols and
Interpreting	Use vertical aerial photographs	Use oblique and aerial views.	atlas.	style are related.
	and online mapping (Google	ose oblique and aerial views.	Use thematic maps for specific	Starting to interpret
	Earth) to locate places	Recognise some patterns on	purposes (Biomes and	distribution maps and use
	Laitiff to locate places	maps and begin to explain what	population).	thematic maps for information.
	Locate photos of features on	they show.	population).	thematic maps for information.
	maps.	they show.	Starting to know that purpose,	Starting to follow a route on
		Use thematic maps.	scale, symbols and style are	1:50 000 Ordnance Survey
	Give maps a title to show their		related.	map; describe and interpret
	purpose.	Explain what places are like using		relief features.
		maps at a local scale.	Appreciate different map	
	Recognise that contours show		projections.	Use maps to research factual
	height and slope	Confidently using maps and aerial		information about locations
		views to help talk about places		and features.
		that are studied		

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	Starting to use maps and aerial		Use maps to research factual	Use a range of viewpoints up
	views to talk about for		information about locations and	to satellite.
	example, views from high		features.	
	places.			Use models and maps to talk
				about contours and slope.
	Use the scale bar to estimate		Use models and maps to talk	
	distance.		about contours and slope.	Use a scale bar on all maps
			Use a scale bar on all maps.	
	Use simple grids.	Give direction and instructions up	Developing use of 6 figure	Confidently using 4 and 6-
	-	to 8 cardinal points.	coordinates to locate features.	figure coordinates to locate
	Give direction instructions up	·		features.
	to 4 cardinal points.	Confidently using 4- figure	Applying knowledge of	
	·	coordinates to locate features.	directions and instructions to 8	Confidently applying
	Starting to use 4- figure		cardinal points.	knowledge of directions and
Position and	coordinates to locate features	Know that 6 figure Grid	·	instructions to 8 cardinal
Interpretation		References can help you find a	Starting to align a map with a	points.
·		place more accurately than 4-	route.	•
		figure coordinates		Confidently aligning a map
			Follow a river and give co-	with a route.
		Starting to use latitude and	ordinates and directions for	
		longitude in an atlas or globe.	specific points	Confidently using latitude and
				longitude in an atlas or globe
			Using latitude and longitude in	
			an atlas or globe to describe a	
			position of a place	
	Starting to make a map of a	Confidently make a map of a	Make sketch maps of an area	Make sketch maps of an area
	short route with features in	short route with features in	using symbols and key.	using symbols and key.
	correct order.	correct order		
			Use agreed and Ordnance	Design maps from
	Starting to make a map of small	Confidently make a map of small	Survey symbols.	descriptions.
Drawing	area with features in correct	area with features in correct		
	places.	places		

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	Starting to use plan views.	Confidently use plan views.		Draw thematic maps for
				example, local open spaces.
	Give maps a key with standard	Use some Ordnance Survey style		
	symbols.	symbols		Draw scale plans, choosing an
				appropriate scale and be able
	Use a simple scale (e.g. 1cm2 =	Make a scale plan of a room to		to justify why this is the best
	1m2) to create a scale plan view	scale using at least 1cm2 = 1m2		scale for the map
				Use standard symbols
	Analyse primary data, identifying any patterns	Ask geographical questions	Investigate a geographical hypothesis using a range of	Ask and answer geographical questions and hypotheses
Fieldwork	observed from within the local	Visit a woodland are to study the	fieldwork techniques.	using a range of fieldwork and
	area	trees, plants and animals, as an		research techniques
(Italics=		ecosystem and compare to other	From the observed data,	
fieldwork opportunities)	Create a graph to represent data observed	biomes	present findings and give a brief conclusion	Investigate how buildings, land use and local facilities have
	Investigate local buildings, land use, and local facilities and	Explore issues of sustainability in everyday life (e.g. energy	Investigate and record different weather phenomena through	changed over time; and investigate local development
	explore issues of environmental	generation and use, water supply	observation and by using	plans through visits to derelict
	quality and value	and use)	standard measurement devices	sites, empty shops or buildings
	'	,	(e.g. thermometers, rain gauges	or places where developments
			and anemometers)	(e.g. road, housing, industrial, retail or leisure schemes) are
			Research sustainability in	proposed
			everyday life, including how	p. 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5,
			everyday goods (e.g. food or	
			clothing) are produced and	
			traded, as well as consumption,	
			waste and recycling	