

GEOGRAPHY - National Curriculum Coverage

Key Stage 1:

Aims of the National Curriculum	Year One			Year 2		
Key Stage One Geography	Spatial Sense	The UK	The Seven Continents	Spatial Sense	The British Isles	Northern Europe
Locational Knowledge: Name and Locate the world's seven continents and five oceans			✓			✓
Locational Knowledge: 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		✓	✓		✓	✓
Human and Physical Geography: Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • key physical features, including: beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, valley, vegetation, season and weather 		✓	✓		✓	✓
Human and Physical Geography: Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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		✓	✓		✓	✓
Geographical Skills and Fieldwork: Use simple compass directions (North, South, East and West) and locational and directional language [for example, near and far, left and right], to describe the location of features and routes on a map	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Geographical Skills and Fieldwork: 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	✓			✓		
Geographical Skills and Fieldwork: 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.	✓			✓		

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Lower Key Stage 2:

Aims of the National Curriculum	Year 3						Year 4					
	Spatial sense	Western Europe	Settlements	Rivers	Asia-China and India	UK: The South West	Spatial sense	Mediterranean Europe	Eastern Europe	UK: Northern Ireland	UK: London & South East	Asia: Japan
Locational Knowledge: locate the world's countries, using maps to focus on Europe (including the location of Russia) and North and South America, concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries, and major cities		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓			✓
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: 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 vegetation belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes, and the water cycle		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Human and Physical Geography: Describe and understand key aspects of: 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 and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Geographical Skills and Fieldwork: 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 United Kingdom and the wider world	✓						✓					
Geographical Skills and Fieldwork: use fieldwork to observe, measure, record and present the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital technologies.							✓					

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Upper Key Stage 2:

Aims of the National Curriculum	Year 5						Year 6					
Upper Key Stage Two Geography	Spatial Sense	Mountains	UK: East Anglia, Midlands, Yorkshire	Australia	New Zealand & South Pacific	Local Study	Spatial Sense	North America	South America	Africa	British Geography	Globalisation
Locational Knowledge: locate the world's countries, using maps to focus on Europe (including the location of Russia) and North and South America, concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries, and major cities		✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
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: 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 vegetation belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes, and the water cycle	✓	✓		✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Human and Physical Geography: Describe and understand key aspects of: 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 and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Geographical Skills and Fieldwork: 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 United Kingdom and the wider world			✓			✓					✓	
Geographical Skills and Fieldwork: use fieldwork to observe, measure, record and present the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital technologies.						✓						