





Geography Vocabulary Progression

Progression Aims Core Vocabulary This document shows the progression of required vocabulary that the children should understand throughout each topic as a prerequisite for further learning. Vocabulary is not exclusive to each year group, however there a specific focus on the language in the topics covered in that Geography unit. We value a vocabulary rich curriculum and we provide opportunities for the pupils to verbalise their knowledge using core vocabulary to demonstrate their understanding. Ensuring that we are adapting our vocabulary expectations for our context, we will focus on core vocabulary but will also explore subject specific vocabulary to widen their exposure to new language.

Geography	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Geographical skills and Fieldwork - Geographical	Near Far	Left Right Aerial view	Distance Location North Physical feature Human feature Similar Different	landmark	Climate change Adaptation Explorer Land use	Sustainability Carbon footprint Global warming Renewable energy	Natural disaster Ecosystem Human footprint Environment Comparison	Landscape
Geographical skills and Fieldwork – Mapping	Мар	Globe	Atlas Key	Sketch map Scale OS map	Hemisphere Mapping Tilt Four-figure grid reference Eight point compass route	Represent Grid square	Aerial map Digital map Time zone Sea level	Six figure grid reference Contour lines
Geographical skills and Fieldwork – Fieldwork	Look find	Questionnaire Thermometer Temperature	Survey Compass Weather Vane	Tally chart Pictogram Data collection	Research Magnetic field Evaluate Compare	Investigate Analyse Quantitive/qualitative data	Fieldwork Evidence	Viewpoint Subjective Audience







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Human geography	Building road	City	Village Town Temple Market	Urban Rural Aquarium Tourist	Geothermal energy Man-made rock Treaty Place of worship Monument	Summarise Sample size Deforestation Community Logging Mining Import Export Produce Consume Trade Packaging Responsible trade Leisure supply	Population Single-use plastic Plastic pollution Disposable Nature reserve Agriculture	Densly populated Sparsly populated Birth rate Death rate Migration Refugee Energy source Solar power Wind power
Physical geography	weather	Land Sea	Lake River Ocean Climate Mountain	Ice sheet Vegetation Grasslands Rainforest Polar Mild Coast Pier Cliff Island Sand dunes	Inner core Outer core Mantle Crust Tectonic plate Volcanp Magma Earthquake Tsunami Iceberg	Vegetation belts Forest floor Understory Canopy Emergent Drought Floodplain River mouth Source Flooding	Coniferous trees Deciduous Mountain range Ocean current Marine Erosion Decompose Rainfall sparse	Land mass Coal Emissions Ocean tide Regenerate Liverpool Port of Blyth Midland, Texas
Locational Knowledge	Place	Country England	Continent Europe Scotland Wales Northern Ireland	Africa North America South America Antarctica	Climate zones Earth Latitude Longitude Settlement County	River Severn River Thames River Mersey Amazon River River Nile Cote D'Ivorie	The Alps Great Barrier Reef Australia Mojave desert	







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