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Progression of Knowledge and Skills for Geography



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KNOWLEDGE									
	EYFS	K	S1	KS2					
		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6		
Location Knowledge (Location skills - locate)	Talk about what they see using a wide vocabulary. Recognise some environments that are different from the one in which they live. Model the vocabulary needed to name specific features of the world, both natural and made by people. Share non-fiction texts that offer an insight into contrasting environments.	Name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans. Name the countries and capital cities of the UK. Name the country that they live in. Describe the locality and name the towns and cities close by (Warrington, Widnes, Frodsham and Liverpool).	Name and locate the five oceans and seven continents on a world map. Name and locate the seas surrounding the UK. Name and locate the North, South Poles and the Equator. I can recall a country that is close to the equator. Identify the location of hot and cold places in the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South poles.	Name the counties and cities of the UK. Understand what a capital city is. 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 Describe the location of a country using its continent and relation to the equator.	Name and locate the major countries in Europe (including Russia) and their capital cities. To know that the Equator is a line of latitude indicating the hottest places on Earth and splitting our globe into the Northern and Southern Hemispheres. To know lines of longitude are invisible lines on the globe that determine how far east or west a location is from the Prime Meridian. To know lines of latitude are invisible lines on the globe that determine how far north or south a location is from the Equator.	To know the name of many countries and major cities in the area of the world studied (Europe or North/South America.) To name and describe some of the world's vegetation belts. To be able to identify and locate the counties, cities and towns of the United Kingdom. Identify the position and significance of latitude / longitude and the Greenwich Meridian (time zones). Explain how time zones work.	Locate Runcorn and understand its position in relation to the rest of the UK. Settlement, economic, climate zone, land use, rivers. Locate the world's countries on a variety of maps, including the areas studied throughout the Key Stages. To locate a country, and identify its continent.		

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Place Knowledge (Geographical similarities and differences)	Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries Children learn about places in the world that contrast with locations they know well. Use images, video clips, shared texts and other resources to bring the wider world into the classroom. Listen to what children say about what they see.	Identify similarities and differences between a contrasting country and a small area of the UK (Runcorn). To know that life elsewhere in the world is often different to ours. To know that life elsewhere in the world often has similarities to ours. Describing what physical features may occur in a hot place in comparison to a cold	Describing and beginning to explain some key similarities between their local area and a small area of a contrasting non-European country. Describing and beginning to explain some key differences between their local area and a small area of a contrasting non-European country. Talk about the way seasonal weather in an equatorial/polar region is different to the	Identify geographical features of each continent. Identify similarities and differences between different countries. Compare the journey and uses of a river in another country to the River Mersey.	To be able to identify and compare two European (including Russia) countries and capital cities, looking at their main environmental region and key physical and human characteristics. To know some similarities and differences between the UK and a European mountain region. To explore life in contrasting areas.	Describing and explaining similarities between two regions studied. Describing and explaining differences between two regions studied. Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of the human and physical geography within North America. To compare a region in the UK with a region in North America.	Understand the importance of the Amazon rainforest. Comparing the climate studied in a region of the UK with that of a region of North and South America and discussing how both climates have an impact on trade, land use and settlement. Confidently use longitude and latitude and associated vocabulary.
	Explain how children's lives in other countries may be similar or different in terms of how they travel to school, what they eat, where they live, and so	place. Identify differences between seasonal and daily weather patterns, and observe and describe daily weather patterns.	weather in the United Kingdom.			Explore the Earth's extreme climates by investigating what climates there are on our planet and finding out about the hottest, wettest, coldest and driest places on Earth.	
Human and Physical Geography	Know that there are different countries in the world and talk about the differences they have experienced or seen in photos. Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them. Guide children's	Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom and their locality. To be able to identify human and physical features and characteristics of the countries of the UK. Find out about ways in which the weather	To identify the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles. Name and locate human and physical features of a British beach/coastline. Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to	To know the key features of a river. Explain how changes in land will affect people and the environment in different ways. Use a variety of sources to identify human and physical features in a particular country.	To find out about the human and physical features of a European country. Describing and explaining how physical features such as rivers, mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes have had an impact upon the surrounding landscape and communities.	Describe key aspects of the human geography of North America including - types of settlements and land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water. To find out about the	Explore economic activity, settlements and climate zones as part of a local area study of Runcorn. Explain the differences between a mountain and a hill linked to a local area study of Runcorn. Use geographical
	understanding by drawing children's attention to the	during each season in equatorial and polar regions differs from the	key human features of the locality and	Identify features of a coastline and describe how physical		hills and mountains of the UK.	vocabulary to refer to key physical features of South America

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weather and seasonal features. Provide opportunities for children to note and record the weather. Select texts to share with the children about the changing seasons. Throughout the year, take children outside to observe the natural world and encourage children to observe how animals behave differently as the seasons change. Look for children incorporating their understanding of the seasons and weather in their play	weather in the United Kingdom. Explore the landscapes of a contrasting country. E.g China Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical features including - beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, season and weather. Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key human features and link this to the local area: (Runcorn town, ICI factory, farm, Mersey Gateway bridge, Silver Jubilee bridge, Bridgewater Canal, Wigg Island, Norton Priory, house, office, industrial park, community gardens, Runcorn shopping city and Runcorn town hall).	beyond: Silver Jubilee Bridge, Mersey Gateway Bridge, canal, school, houses, shopping city, church, train station, etc Use and understand basic geographical vocabulary to describe key physical features of the locality and beyond: River Mersey, Runcorn Hill, forest, woodland, river bank, beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, vegetation, season and weather.	geography (caves, stacks and arches) are formed along coasts. Identify and explain different strategies for coastal management. Explain how human activity can cause erosion. Use sources to research a coastline in the UK and present my findings. To find out about the journey of a river from source to mouth, and some of the features of rivers, such as deltas and tributaries.	Explaining why different locations have different human features. To know an urban place is somewhere near a town or city. To know a rural place is somewhere near the countryside.	Investigate a variety of extreme weather phenomena, such as tropical storms, floods, lightning, hurricanes and tornadoes, and the effects these can have on people and the landscape.	including - climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes. Identify their main environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, and major countries and cities in South America. Explore water on our planet (bodies of water and different forms around the world). Explore how water can be used for power to contribute to a sustainable future.
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SKILLS								
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Fieldwork and	Use all their senses in	I use first hand	Use simple fieldwork	Understand how land	Interpret a range of	I can collect, analyse &	Use fieldwork to
observation	hands-on exploration of	observation to	and observational skills	use has changed over	sources of geographical	communicate with a	observe, measure &
observation	natural materials	investigate places – the	to study the geography	time.	information (maps,	range of data gathered	record human &
	Explore collections of	school grounds, the streets around and the	of our school and	Observe and record	diagrams, globes, aerial	in experiences of	physical features in the local area using a range
	materials with similar	local area.	surroundings.	landscape features in	photographs) to	fieldwork to show I	of methods, including
	and/or different	local area.		the Northwest using	investigate.	understand some	sketch maps, plans,
	properties.		Study key physical	sketch maps and digital		geographical processes.	graphs & digital
		Explore the town we	features such as taking	technologies.	Observe / record and		technologies.
	Describe what they	live in. (Runcorn). Study	temperature readings		describe the location of	Can use atlases,	
	see, hear and feel	and record the key human and physical	in the locality.	Ask geographical	features in relation to	satellite images, aerial	Carry out a local site
	whilst outside.	features of the		questions.	each other in terms of	views and digital	visit along and collect information about
	Encourage focused	surrounding	Ask questions about a	Use a simple database	the 8 compass points.	mapping to describe	vegetation and wildlife.
	observation of the	environment of my	local area to answer	to present findings		the key physical and	vegetation and whalie.
	natural world.	school.	during a fieldwork visit.	from fieldwork.	Ask geographical	human characteristics,	Investigate and explore
					questions.	e.g. different	a local body of water.
	Listen to children	Observe different	Recognise and record	Record findings from		environmental regions	
	describing and	houses and buildings	different types of land	field trips.	Use a simple database	of a place studied.	Confidently use OS
	commenting on things they have seen whilst	around the school.	use, buildings and	Use a database to	to present findings		symbols and 6 figure
	outside, including		environments.	present findings.	from fieldwork.	Use a compass to	grid references on
	plants and animals.	Record seasonal		prosent mamage		observe and record	maps of Runcorn to
	'	changes in words, data,	Use 4 compass points	Use appropriate	Record findings from	human/physical	describe what a place is
	Encourage positive	photographs, etc.	to describe location of	terminology.	field trips.	features in all 8	like before it is visited
	interaction with the	Use simple	the cities, e.g. Cardiff is			compass directions and	in person.
	outside world, offering children a chance to	fieldwork/observational	west of London,		Use a database to	produce a sketch map	
	take supported risks,	skills to study the local	Edinburgh is north, etc.		present findings.	of the area based on	
	appropriate to	area of Runcorn to				the observations.	
	themselves and the	compare to images of a			Use appropriate		
	environment within	contrasting place.			terminology.		
	which they are in.	Some docting places					
		I can use mathematical					
		vocabulary to describe					
		position and location.					
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Mapwork:	Offer opportunities for	Use a simple picture	Follow a route on a	Follow a route on a	Follow a route on a	Compare maps with	Follow a short route
Using maps,	children to choose to	map to move around	map.	map with some	large scale map	aerial photographs	on a OS map
	draw simple maps of	the school		accuracy.			
globes and	their immediate		Use simple compass		Locate places on a	Select a map for a	Describe the features
atlases	environment, or maps	Use relative	directions (North,	Locate places using a	range of maps (variety	specific purpose	shown on an OS map
	from imaginary story	vocabulary such as	South, East, West).	range of maps	of scales)		
	settings they are	bigger, smaller, like,	South, Last, Westj.	including OS & digital		Begin to use atlases	Use atlases to find out
	familiar with.	dislike			Identify features on an	to find out other	data about other
			Use aerial photographs	Begin to match	aerial photograph,	information (e.g.	places
		Use directional	and plan perspectives	boundaries (e.g. find	digital or computer	temperature)	
		language such as	to recognise landmarks	same boundary of a	map		Use 8 figure compass
		near and far, up and	and basic human and	country on different		Find and recognise	and 6 figure grid
		down, left and right,	physical features.	scale maps)	Begin to use 8 figure	places on maps of	reference accurately
		forwards and	priysical reacures.		compass and four	different scales	
		backwards		Use 4 figure	figure		Use lines of longitude
			Draw or make a map of	compasses, and	grid references to	Use 8 figure	and latitude on maps.
		Draw basic maps,	real or imaginary places	letter/number co	identify features on a	compasses, begin to	
		including appropriate	(e.g. add detail to a	-ordinates to identify	map.	use 6 figure grid	Draw plans of
		symbols and pictures	sketch map from aerial	features on a map.		references.	increasing complexity.
		to represent places or	photograph).		Recognise and use OS		
		features.	priotograpii).	Try to make a map of	map symbols, including	Draw a variety of	Begin to use and
			the end constant to	a short route	completion of a key	thematic maps based	recognise atlas
		Use photographs and	Use and construct basic	experiences, with	and	on their own data.	symbols.
		maps to identify	symbols in a key.	features in current	understanding why it is		
		features.		order.	important.	Draw a sketch map	
						using symbols and a	
				Create a simple scale	Draw a sketch map	key.	
				drawing.	from a high viewpoint.		
						Use and recognise	
				Use standard		OS map symbols	
				symbols, and		regularly.	
				understand the			
				importance of a key.			

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Mapwork:	Draw information from	Use world maps,	Locate on a world map	Locate the UK on a	Locate Europe on a	Locate the world's	Locate the world's
Mapwork Skills	a simple map	atlases and globes to	and globe the seven	variety of different	large scale map or	countries, focus on	countries on a variety
		identify the UK in its	continents and five	scale maps.	globe.	North & South	of maps, including the
	Familiarise children	position in the world.	oceans.			America.	areas studied
	with the name of the		occurs.	Locate the	Locate countries in		throughout the Key
	road, and or	Use maps to locate		counties and cities of	Europe (including	Identify the position	Stages.
	village/town/city the	the four countries and	Locate on a globe and	the UK.	Russia) and their capital	and significance of	
	school is located in.	capital cities of UK	world map the hot and		cities.	lines of longitude &	Identify the position
		and its surrounding	cold areas of the world	Locate the UK on a		latitude.	and significance of
	Look at aerial views of	seas.	including the Equator	variety of different	To be able to locate a		latitude, longitude,
	the school setting,		and the North and	scale maps.	country and its capital	To explore the various	Equator, N & S
	encouraging children to	Find information from	South Poles.		city on a map and to	time zones of North	Hemisphere, Tropics of
	comment on what they	aerial photos and Study	Journ Foles.	Use a globe & maps &	investigate (rivers,	America and how these	Cancer & Capricorn,
	notice, recognising	the key physical		some OS	climate, mountains).	compare to other time	Arctic & Antarctic
	buildings, open space,	features of the	Locate local towns and	symbols on maps to		zones around the	Circle, and time zones
	roads and other simple	surrounding	cities on a map.	name geographical	Identify the position	world.	(including day & night)
	features.		(Runcorn, Warrington,	regions & identifying	and significance of the		using a globe.
		environment of my	Widnes, Frodsham,	physical and human	Equator and Northern	Explore how the Earth's	
	Offer opportunities for	school.	Liverpool)	characteristics,	and Southern	surface is split up into	
	children to choose to			including: cities, rivers,	Hemispheres.	tectonic plates and the	
	draw simple maps of			mountains, hills, key		resulting earthquakes	
	their immediate			topographical	Use a globe & maps &	that occur when they	
	environment, or maps			features, land-use	some OS	move.	
	from imaginary story			patterns.	symbols on maps to		
	settings they are				name geographical		
	familiar with.			Use maps, digital /	regions & identifying		
				computer mapping and	physical and human		
				aerial photographs to	characteristics,		
				locate physical and	including: cities, rivers,		
				human features in the	mountains, hills, key		
				local area and wider	topographical		
				world.	features, land-use		
					patterns.		
				Locate coasts on a map			
				of the UK.			

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