Geography- General Skills and Knowledge

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Word	Definition	
Adapted	Well suited to living in a certain biome.	
Antarctic Circle	The most Southern latitudinal area. Usually a very cold climate.	
Arctic Circle	The most Northern latitudinal area. Usually a very cold climate.	
Atlas	A book of maps and charts.	
Biome	An area containing the same sort of climate, plants and animals.	
Capital City	Where a country's government is located. Usually the biggest city.	
Climate	The general long-term weather patterns of an area.	
Coast	An area of land that is directly next to the sea.	
Compass	A device which indicates if you're facing North, South, East or West	
Continent	One of 7 large areas of land that each consist of many countries.	
Country	An area of land controlled by its own government.	
Equator	A central latitudinal line that divides the Earth into North and West	
Fieldwork	Gathering information in real environments outside a classroom.	
Globe	A ball shaped object with a map of the world on it.	
Greenwich/	A longitudinal line that divides the Earth into East and West. It	
Prime Meridian	passes through London & is used to divide the world's time zones.	
Grid Reference	Usually 6 digits long, this number identifies a location on a map.	
Hemisphere	Half of the Earth, split into Northern & Southern Hemispheres.	
Latitude	'Flat' lines wrapped round Earth measured in degrees North/South.	
Longitude	'Long' lines wrapped around Earth measured in degrees East/West.	
Migration	The movement of people from one place to another place.	
Natural Resources	Materials that are formally naturally, but are used by humans.	
Ocean	One of the 5 very large areas of salt water on the Earth's surface.	
Pollution	A harmful or poisonous substance released into the environment.	
Population	All of the people that live in a particular place.	
Pull Factor	A reason for someone to move to a new place.	
Push Factor	A reason for someone to move away from a place.	
Rural	An area that is in the countryside . Usually less populated spaces.	
Settlement	A place where people settle to build permanent homes & live there	
Trade	The activity of buying, selling or exchanging goods/services.	
Tropic of Cancer	A latitudinal area in the Northern Hemisphere . Has a warm climate	
Tropic of Capricorn	A latitudinal area in the Southern Hemisphere . Has a warm climate	
Urban	An area that is in a town or city . Usually densely populated spaces.	

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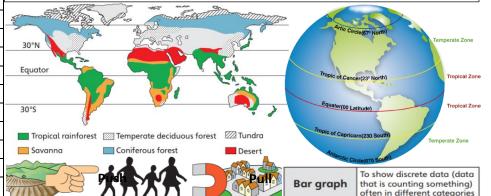
Previous Knowledge

Scotland

Irish Sea England

Ireland

In Years 1 and 2, you learnt to: name/locate the 7 continents & 5 oceans; name/ locate/identify characteristics of the UK's 4 countries/capital cities; understand geographical similarities/differences in the UK compared to a non-European country; identify seasonal/daily UK weather patterns & the location of hot/cold areas in the world in relation to the Equator/North Pole/South Pole; use basic geographical vocabulary; use world maps/globes/atlases to identify countries/continents/oceans; use simple compass directions & locational directional language to describe the location of map features & routes; use aerial photographs to recognise key features/landmarks; use fieldwork/observational skills to study key features of my school's environment.



- few services
- lack of job opportunities unhappy life
- poor transport links
- natural disasters wars
- shortage of food
- access to services
- · better job opportunities
- · more entertainment facilities better transport links
- improved living conditions
- hope for a better way of life
- family links

Key Questions

- How and when do you use a compass?
- What and where are the UK's countries/ capital cities? Where's the UK on a world map?
- •What are the UK's major hills/mountains?
- •Which seas and oceans surround the UK?
- •What is the Greenwich/Prime Meridian?
- •What are the UK's main rivers and seas?
- •What are the key lines of latitude/longitude?
- •How are climates/biomes affected by a place's longitude/longitude?
- •Where do people build settlements?
- •How can I conduct my own fieldwork?

To show proportions Pie chart To show the relationship

Line graph between data sets, for example, change over time

Key Facts

- •The UK has 4 countries: England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.
- •Their capital cities are London (England), Edinburgh (Scotland), Cardiff (Wales) and Dublin (Northern Ireland).
- •The UK is a European country.
- •The UK's population is 67M.
- •The UK's highest mountain is Ben Nevis in Scotland.
- •The UK's longest river is the River Severn.
- •The River Thames is in London.