



Armfield Academy – Department of Geography

Year 7 Curriculum Overview



Half Term 1

Date	Enquiry Question(s) – What does it mean to think like a geographer? / How do we know where we are in the world?		
	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Lesson 3
Week 1	Book Making / Expectations / Conduct	What is geography?	What questions do geographers ask?
Week 2	What is human geography?	What is physical geography?	What is environmental geography?
Week 3	Review: What does it mean to think like a geographer?	Application Time: What does it mean to think like a geographer?	What is the world's land masses and oceans?
Week 4	What are the geographical features of Europe?	What are the geographical features of Asia?	What are the geographical features of Africa?
Week 5	What are the geographical features of Oceania?	What are the geographical features of North America?	What are the geographical features of South America?
Week 6	What are the geographical features of Antarctica?	Review: How do we know where we are in the world?	Application Time: How do we know where we are in the world?
Week 7	What is an OS map?	What are map symbols?	How do geographers identify features on an OS map?

Half Term 2

Date	Enquiry Question(s) – How do geographers use maps to locate themselves? / What is the difference between urban and rural areas?		
	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Lesson 3
Week 1	What are compass directions?	How do geographers use 4 figure grid references?	How are locations identified in Blackpool using 4 figure grid references?
Week 2	How do geographers use 6 figure grid references?	How are locations identified in Blackpool using 6 figure grid references?	How are distances measured on an OS map?
Week 3	How do scales vary on an OS map?	Review: How do geographers use maps to locate themselves?	Application Time: How do geographers use maps to locate themselves?
Week 4	What is Britain?	Where are the UK's upland and lowland areas?	What are rural areas?
Week 5	Rural Area Case Study	What are urban areas?	Urban Area Case Study
Week 6	Review: What is the difference between rural and urban areas?	Application Time: Geographical Skills + Knowledge Quiz	Application Time: Written Response
Week 7	Reteach	Reteach	Reteach

Half Term 3

Date	Enquiry Question(s) – What are the causes, effects and responses to river flooding? / What are the impacts of tourism in the Lake District?		
	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Lesson 3
Week 1	What is tourism?	Why do people visit seaside destinations?	Why are cities a popular tourist destination?
Week 2	How do land use maps identify tourist function?	Practicing drawing land use maps.	Collecting data to draw land use map.
Week 3	Completing a land use map of Blackpool	Why do people visit the Lake District?	What are the positive impacts of tourism in the Lake District?
Week 4	What are the negative impacts of tourism in the Lake District?	How is tourism sustainably managed? – park & ride, public transport	How is tourism sustainably managed? – Fix the Fells Programme
Week 5	Review: What are the impacts of tourism in the Lake District?	Application Time: What are the impacts of tourism in the Lake District?	What is the water cycle?
Week 6	What is a drainage basin?	How do rivers change from source to mouth?	What impact does erosion have on a river?

Half Term 4

Date	Enquiry Question(s) – What are the causes, effects and responses to river flooding? / How does extreme weather impact the UK?		
	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Lesson 3
Week 1	Why does transportation and deposition occur in a river?	What happens in the upper course of a river (waterfalls)	What happens in the middle and lower course of a river (levees)
Week 2	What were the causes of flooding in Glenridding?	What were the impacts of flooding in Glenridding?	What were the responses to flooding in Glenridding?
Week 3	Review: What are the causes, effects and responses to river flooding?	Application Time: What are the causes, effects and responses to river flooding?	What is weather?
Week 4	Why is it always raining?	Why do we get such strong wind?	Why do we get very little snow in Blackpool?
Week 5	Reteach	Reteach	Reteach

Half Term 5

Date	Enquiry Question(s) – How does extreme weather impact the UK? / Which energy type is more sustainable? / What value do tropical rainforests hold?		
	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Lesson 3
Week 1	What were the effects of Storm Bert?	What were the responses to Storm Bert?	What management strategies were implemented after Storm Bert?
Week 2	Review: How does extreme weather impact the UK?	Application Time: How does extreme weather impact the UK?	What are the different types of energy?
Week 3	How is the world consuming energy?	Why is the UK so dependent on non-renewable energy?	Where in the UK produces solar energy?
Week 4	Why is Morecambe Bay used to generate wind energy?	Why does the UK use hydro-electric power?	Why was Blackpool chosen as a fracking site?
Week 5	Why has the UK moved towards nuclear energy?	Review: Which energy type is more sustainable?	Application Time: Which energy type is more sustainable?
Week 6	What are ecosystems and biomes?	How do food web's function?	What is a tropical rainforest and where are they located?
Week 7	How are plants adapted to survive in a tropical rainforest?	How are animals adapted to survive in a tropical rainforest?	What are the causes of deforestation in Costa Rica?

Half Term 6

Date	Enquiry Question(s) – What value do tropical rainforests hold? / What is the microclimate of Armfield Academy? / How can GIS be used in geography?		
	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Lesson 3
Week 1	Why is sustainability important in Costa Rica?	Review: What value do tropical rainforests hold?	Application Time: What value do tropical rainforests hold?
Week 2	What is fieldwork?	How is fieldwork data collected?	Data Collection Lesson
Week 3	How can the data be presented?	What does the fieldwork data show about the microclimate?	What has been learnt about the microclimate of Armfield?
Week 4	Review: What is the microclimate of Armfield Academy?	Application Time: What is the microclimate of Armfield Academy?	What is GIS?
Week 5	How can GIS help plan a day in Blackpool?	Where do tourists spend their day in Blackpool (Planning)	Where do tourists spend their day in Blackpool (Planning)
Week 6	Preparation of GIS Projects	Preparation of GIS Projects	Preparation of GIS Projects
Week 7	Application Time: How can GIS be used in geography?	Application Time: How can GIS be used in geography?	End of Year Review / Quiz