

EYFS	Skills	Year 1	Year 2
Early Learning Goal:	Location Knowledge	Building on prior learning, children will:	Building on prior learning, children will:
Nursery:		Name and locate local town.	Name, locate and identify
Understanding the World			characteristics of the four
 Use all their senses in 			countries and capital cities of the
hands-on exploration of			United Kingdom and its surrounding
natural materials.			seas. Name and locate the world's
 Begin to understand the 			seven continents and five oceans.
need to respect and care	Place Knowledge	Building on prior learning, children	Building on prior learning, children
for the natural environment		will:	will:
and all living things.		Observe and describe the human	Understand geographical similarities
 Know that there are 		and physical geography of a small	and differences through studying
different countries in the		area of the United Kingdom.	the human and physical geography
work and talk about the			of a small area of the United
differences they have			Kingdom, and of a small area in a
experienced or seen in			non-European country.
photos.	Human and Physical Geography	Building on prior learning, children	Building on prior learning, children
Danastian		will:	will:
Reception: Understanding the World		Identify seasonal/daily weather	Identify seasonal/daily weather
Draw information from a		patterns in the UK and the location of hot and cold areas of the world	patterns in the UK and the location of hot and cold areas of the world
simple map.			.,
 Recognise some similarities 		in relation to the equator and the North and South poles.	in relation to the equator and the North and South poles.
and differences between		North and South poles.	North and South poles.
life in this country and life		Use basic Geographical vocabulary	Use basic Geographical vocabulary
in other countries.		to refer to physical features of	to refer to key physical features
Explore the natural world		their school and its grounds and of	(inc - beach, cliff, coast, forest,
around them.		the surrounding environment.	hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil,





Recognise some			valley, vegetation, season, weather)
environments that are			and human features (inc city, town,
different to the one in			village, factory, farm, house, office,
which they live.			port, harbour, shop) of a
ELG:			contrasting nonEuropean country.
Understanding the World	Geographical Skills and Fieldwork	Building on prior learning, children	Building on prior learning, children
 Describe their immediate 	Coog. aprillation and the common in	will:	will:
environment using knowledge		Use maps, atlases and globes to	Use world maps, atlases and globes
from observation,		identify the continents and oceans	to identify the United Kingdom and
discussion, stories, non-		studied at this key stage.	its countries.
fiction texts and maps.		, ,	
Explain some similarities and		Use locational and directional	Use simple compass directions
differences between life in		language (eg, near and far, left and	(North, East, South and West), to
this country and life in		right), Describe the location of	describe the location of features
other countries, drawing on knowledge from stories,		features and routes on maps.	and routes on a map.
non-fiction texts and (when			
appropriate) maps.		Use photographs to recognise	Use aerial photographs and plan
 Know some similarities and 		landmarks and basic human and	perspectives to recognise landmarks
differences between the		physical features; devise simple	and basic human and physical
natural world around them		picture maps.	features: devise a simple map; and
and contrasting		Use simple fieldwork and	use and construct basic symbols in a key.
environments, drawing on		observational skills to study the	key.
their experiences and what		geography of their school and its	Use fieldwork and observational
has been read in class.		grounds.	skills to study the key human and
 Understand some important 		J. 54.145.	physical features of the schools
processes and changes in			surrounding areas.
the natural world around			
them, including the seasons.			







Skill	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Location Knowledge	Building on prior learning, children will: Name and locate countries and cities of the UK, geographical regions and their identifying human and physical characteristics, key topographical features (in hills, mountains, coasts and rivers) and land-use patterns; and understand	Building on prior learning, children will: Locate the worlds countries, using maps to focus on Europe (inc the location of Russia) and North and South America, concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries and other major cities.	Building on prior learning, children will: Locate the main countries in Europe and North or South America. Locate and name principal cities. Compare 2 different regions in UK rural/urban. Locate and name the main counties and cities in England.	Building on prior learning, children will: On a world map locate the main countries in Africa, Asia and Australasia/Oceania. Identify their main environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, and major cities.
	how some of these aspects have changed over time.	Identify the position and significance of Equator, N. and S. Hemisphere, Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn.	Linking with History, compare land use maps of UK from past with the present, focussing on land use.	Linking with local History, map how land use has changed in local area over time.
			Identify the position and significance of latitude/longitude and the Greenwich Meridian.	Name and locate the key topographical features including coast, features of erosion, hills, mountains and rivers. Understand how





			Linking with science, time zones, night and day	these features have changed over time.
Place Knowledge	Building on prior learning, children will: Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a region of the UK.	Building on prior learning, children will: Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a region in the United Kingdom and region in a European country.	Building on prior learning, children will: Compare a region in UK with a region in N. or S. America with significant differences and similarities.	Building on prior learning, children will: Compare a region in UK with a region in N. or S. America with significant differences and similarities. Understand some of the reasons for similarities and differences.
Human and Physical Geography	Building on prior learning, children will: Describe and understand key aspects of: Physical geography including key topographical features (inc hills, mountains, coasts, rivers) and land patterns; and understand how some of these aspects have changed over time.	Building on prior learning, children will: Describe and understand key aspects of: Physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts (link to work on Rainforest) Types of settlements in modern Britain: villages, towns, cities.	Building on prior learning, children will: Describe and understand key aspects of: Physical geography including coasts, rivers and the water cycle including transpiration; climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts. Human geography including trade between UK and Europe and ROW	Building on prior learning, children will: Describe and understand key aspects of: Physical geography including Volcanoes and earthquakes, looking at plate tectonics and the ring of fire. Fair/unfair distribution of resources (Fairtrade).





			Distribution of natural resources focussing on energy (link with coal mining past History and eco-power in D&T)	
Geographical Skills and Fieldwork	Building on prior learning, children will: Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping (Google Earth) to locate countries and describe features studied.	Building on prior learning, children will: Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping (Google Earth) to locate countries and describe features studied.	Building on prior learning, children will: Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping (Google Earth) to locate countries and describe features studied.	Building on prior learning, children will: Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping (Google Earth) to locate countries and describe features studied.
	Learn the eight points of a compass, and four-figure grid references. Use fieldwork to observe,	Use the eight points of a compass, four-figure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps) to	Use the eight points of a compass, four-figure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps) to	Extend to 6 figure grid references with teaching of latitude and longitude in depth.
	measure and record the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including	build their knowledge of the United Kingdom and the wider world.	build their knowledge of the United Kingdom in the past and present.	Expand map skills to include non-UK countries. Use fieldwork to observe,
	sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital technologies.	Use fieldwork to observe, measure and record the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including	Use fieldwork to observe, measure and record the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including	measure and record the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps, plans and
		sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital technologies.	sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital technologies.	graphs, and digital technologies







