



Geography Progression &	Coverage Document				
Curriculum Objectives					
EYFS	KS1				
Birth to three: Explore and respond to different natural phenomena in their setting and on trips. 3 and 4 year olds: Use all their senses in hands-on exploration of natural materials. Explore collections of materials with similar and/or different properties. Talk about what they see, using a wide vocabulary. Begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things. Know that there are different countries in the world and talk about the differences they have experienced or seen in photos. Reception: Draw information from a simple map. Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries. Explore the natural world around them. Recognise some environments that are different from the one in which they live. Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them. ELG: People, Culture and Communities Children at the expected level of development will: Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps; Explain some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries, drawing on knowledge from stories, non-	Pupils should be taught to: Locational knowledge • name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans • name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas Place knowledge • understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the United Kingdom, and of a small area in a contrasting non-European country Human and physical geography • identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom and the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles • use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to: • key physical features, including: beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, valley, vegetation, season and weather • key human features, including: city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour and shop Geographical skills and fieldwork • use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries, as well as the countries, continents and oceans studied at this key stage • use simple compass directions (North, South, East and West) and locational and directional language [for example, near and far; left and right], to describe the location of features and routes on a map • use aerial photographs and plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features; devise a simple map; and use and construct basic symbols in a key				





The Natural World Children at the expected level of development will:

- Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants;
- Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class;
- Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons and changing states of matter.
- use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of their school and its grounds and the key human and physical features of its surrounding environment.

Objectives				
	YN	YR	KS1 Cycle A	KS1 Cycle B
	As a geographer	As a geographer	As a geographer	As a geographer
Locational Knowledge	Know that there are	Describe their immediate	Name, locate and identify	Name and locate the world's
	different countries in the	environment using	characteristics of the four	seven continents and five
	world and talk about the	knowledge from	countries and capital cities	oceans. (Spr 1 / Why can't a
	differences they have	observation, discussion,	of the United Kingdom and	penguin live near the
	experienced or seen in	stories, non-fiction texts and	its surrounding seas.	Equator?)
	photos. (Sum 2 / What	maps; (Spr 2 / Twinkl,	(Spr 2/ Where would you	
	can I do with water?)	Twinkl, little star, how I	prefer to live England or	
		wonder what you are)	Kenya?)	
Place Knowledge		Recognise some	Understand geographical	
		environments that are	similarities and differences	
		different from the one in	through studying the human	
		which they live. (Spr 2 /	and physical geography of a	
		Twinkle, Twinkle, little	small area of the United	
		star, how I wonder what	Kingdom, and of a small	
		you are)	area in a contrasting non-	
			European country	
		Explain some similarities		
		and differences between life		





	in this country and life in other countries, drawing on knowledge from stories, non-fiction texts and – when appropriate – maps. (Sum 1 / Who are the famous characters inside my books?)	(Spring 2/Where would you prefer to live England or Kenya?)	
Human and Physical Geography	Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them. (Aut 2/ Why are there so many leaves on the ground? Ongoing through forest school) Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries. (Sum 2 / Should Goldilocks say sorry?) Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class (Spr 2 / Twinkle,	Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom and the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles. (Spring 2/Where would you prefer to live England or Kenya?)	Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to: • key physical features beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, valley, vegetation, season and weather • key human features city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour and shop (Spr 1 / Why can't a penguin live near the Equator?)





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		Twinkle, little star, how I			
		wonder what you are)			
		Understand some important			
		processes and changes in			
		the natural world around			
		them, including the seasons			
		and changing states of			
		matter. (Sum 2 / Should			
		Goldilocks say sorry?)			
Skills and fieldwork	Use all their senses	Draw information from a	Use world maps, atlases and	Use world maps, atlases and	
	in hands-on	simple map. (Spr 1 / Who	globes to identify the United	globes to identify the United	
	exploration of	can I ask for help?)	Kingdom and its countries,	Kingdom and its countries,	
	natural	- '	as well as the countries,	as well as the countries,	
	materials. (Aut 1 /	Explore the natural world	continents and oceans	continents and oceans	
	Who lives in my	around them. (Ongoing –	studied at this key stage	studied at this key stage	
	house?)	forest school)	(Spr 2/ Where would you	(Spr 1 / Why can't a	
			prefer to live England or	penguin live near the	
	Explore collections of	Explore the natural world	Kenya?)	Equator?)	
	materials with similar	around them, making			
	and/or different properties.	observations and drawing	Use simple compass	Use simple compass	
	(Aut 2 / Where does day go	pictures of animals and	directions(North, South,	directions(North, South,	
	at night?)	plants (Ongoing – forest	East and West) and	East and West) and	
		school)	locational and directional	locational and directional	
	Talk about what they see,		language [for example, near	language [for example, near	
	using a wide		and far; left and right], to	and far; left and right], to	
	vocabulary. (Aut 2 / Where		describe the location of	describe the location of	
	does day go at night?)		features and routes on a	features and routes on a	
			map	map (Spr 1 / Why can't a	
	Begin to understand the		(Sum 2 / How old are the	penguin live near the	
	need to respect and care		trees around us?)	Equator?)	
	for the natural				





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environment and all living	Use aerial photos, construct			
things. (Aut 2 / Where	simple maps use aerial			
does day go at night?)	photographs and plan			
	perspectives to recognise			
	landmarks and basic human			
	and physical features;			
	devise a simple map; and			
	use and construct basic			
	symbols in a key (Aut 2 /			
	Where do and did the			
	wheels of the bus go?)			
	Use simple fieldwork and			
	observational skills to study			
	the geography of their			
	school and its grounds and			
	the key human and physical			
	features of its surrounding			
	environment.			
	(Aut 2 / Where do and did			
	the wheels of the bus go?)			
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