

Geography in the Foundation Stage:

ELG:

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-fiction texts and when appropriate maps;
- 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 seasons and changing states of matter

In foundation stage the children will:

- Look at and talk about where they live
- Learn that they live in Middlesbrough, which is in England
- Talk about different places that they visit e.g. the park, the library, the farm, and can talk about some of the similarities and differences
- Explore maps and make their own maps (linked to stories such as 'Hansel and Gretel' as well as exploring key features when going on walks, such as to the library)
- Listen to stories which are set in different places, particularly different countries – this gives the opportunity to talk about how other countries are similar and different (e.g. No Dinner!)
- Explore different places through some of our topics (e.g. animals - explore the different places they might live; festivals/celebrations – learn about celebrations in other countries and this country e.g. Chinese New Year, Diwali, Eid)
- Have on display a large map of the world, on which we can link flags of countries from our topics and stories, put labels for land, sea, countries and places of interest that come up in our stories and topics

	Year 1	Year 2	Year3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Locational Knowledge	<i>North and South Poles, Equator, 4 Compass points N, S, E, W</i>		<i>Latitude, longitude, Equator, N. & S. hemispheres, Tropics Cancer & Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic Circle, Prime / Greenwich Meridian & time zones, 8 Compass points, 4 & 6 figure grid references. Locate world's countries, Europe, (including location of Russia), Americas, concentrating on regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries, major cities. Counties, cities, geographical regions, characteristics, topographical features, land use & changes over time.</i>			
General geographical knowledge, position and significance, UK and Global	Throughout the year focus: Coulby Newham, Middlesbrough, North Yorkshire, UK, Kenya, world continents, Introduce geographical terminology & wider world through stories, games & context.	Focus: The seas around the UK, North & South Poles, Equator, oceans but revisit everything.	Focus: Equator, N. & S. hemispheres, Tropics Cancer & Capricorn, South America, Africa, Arctic and Antarctic Circle North-east region of the UK	Focus: latitude, longitude, 8 compass points, North America, Europe, 4 fig GRs Introduce Prime Meridian and time zones	Focus: Greece, six figure GRs, South America, Europe, Great Britain (including counties) (Other global regions where there is tectonic activity) Northern Europe Focus linked to Vikings	Focus: MesoAmerica and compare location of other ancient civilisations Revise & consolidate all, ongoing.

thinking, vocabulary	See separate fieldwork progression	See separate fieldwork progression	progression See separate fieldwork progression	progression See separate fieldwork progression	progression See separate fieldwork progression	progression See separate fieldwork progression
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