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| Year 7 | **Topic: Map Skills**  **Period:** Autumn 1 |
| **Overview of topic:**  This is a transition unit to lay the foundations for students KS3 Geography lessons. The unit covers the different types of Geography, continents and oceans, the UK and different world biomes. This unit should enable us to gain an understanding of how much our students already know and what gaps they might have. | |
| **Key** **knowledge:**   * the different types of maps * Ordnance Survey maps * Grid References * Ways to show relief on a map * World biomes   **Key vocabulary:**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Tier 2** | **Tier 3** | | **Maps**  **Biomes**  **Climate** | **Contours**  **Grid references**  **Ordnance survey maps**  **Scale** | | **Key skills:**  ***Grid references***  ***Scale***  ***Compass directions***  ***Know how to…***  Give grid references, use scale on a map. |
| **Co-curricular opportunities: *(ASPIRE Day, Careers, clubs, competitions etc)*** | **Key reading skills taught *(clarify, question, summarise, predict)* and key texts:**  **Skimming**  **Scanning**  **Reading for gist**  **Highlighting**  **Wider Reading Opportunities/Links:** |
| **How can I use this information at home?**   * Conversation starters with your children to discuss their learning * Support your child in carrying out independent research around the topic * Visit your local library (or BorrowBox), museums, or other locations to explore the topic * Promote books/other texts that explore this topic (see reading section) * Help your child to learn the key vocabulary | |