

Geography - Big Question

Year 1 to Year 6 structure and progression of learning

Key Stage 1:

Year 1		
Kings, Queens and Leaders <i>(History)</i>	The UK <i>(Geography)</i>	The Seven Continents <i>(Geography)</i>
Year 2		
Nightingale and Seacole <i>(History)</i>	Great Fire of London <i>(History)</i>	Europe <i>(Geography)</i>

Key Stage 2:

Year 3			
Ancient Egypt <i>(History)</i>	Mediterranean Greece to UK <i>(Geography)</i>	Ancient Greece <i>(History)</i>	
Year 4			
Mayan Civilization <i>(History)</i>	North and South America <i>(Geography)</i>		Stone age to iron age <i>(History)</i>
Year 5			
Roman Empire & impact on Britain <i>(History)</i>	Northern Europe <i>(Geography)</i>	Settlement by Anglo Saxons and Scots <i>(History)</i>	Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle to 1066 <i>(History)</i>
Year 6			
Victorian Manchester <i>(History)</i>	World War 1 <i>(History)</i>		Rivers, volcanoes and earthquakes <i>(Geography)</i>

Key Stage 1

Geography Core Knowledge we expect pupils to know:

Year 1 THE UK

- Know the four countries of the UK
- Know that the United Kingdom is a union of four countries.
- Know that Scotland is a country north of England.
- Wales is one of the countries of the United Kingdom.
- The Capital city of England is London.
- Northern Ireland is one of the countries in the United Kingdom.
- Know what a river is, and the River Thames is one of the UK's largest rivers.

Year 1 THE SEVEN CONTINENTS

- Know that the world has seven continents and five oceans
- A globe shows where there is land and sea on Earth.
- We live in the continent of Europe.
- Antarctica is the southernmost continent, which is cold and icy.
- Africa is one of the world's continents.
- Desert, grassland, and jungles are found in Africa.
- Asia is the largest continent in the world.
- Mountains, rainforests, and deserts can be found in Asia.
- North and South America are continents which are joined.
- Australia is the smallest continent.
- Know that the River Nile is the world's longest river and where it is.
- Know that Mount Everest is the world's largest mountain and where it is.

Year 2 EUROPE

- Know that Europe is a continent made up of many countries.
- Know that the UK is part of Europe.
- Name and locate European nations including, France, Spain Germany, Italy and Ireland.
- Know that there is a mountain range called the Alps and where it is.
- Name and locate the Atlantic Ocean and the Mediterranean Sea.
- Northern Europe has colder climates whereas Southern Europe has warmer climates.
- Know where the Equator is on a map and globe.

Key Stage 2

Geography Core Knowledge we expect pupils to know:

Year 3 MEDITERRANEAN EUROPE COMPARED TO THE UK

- Know the key countries of the Mediterranean (Southern France, Portugal, Spain, Italy, Greece, Malta and Cyprus)
- Know what a climate is and some of the Mediterranean climates (humid temperate, tundra, semi-arid, alpine and Mediterranean)
- Know the seas that surround Mediterranean countries (Mediterranean Sea, Ionian Sea, Aegean Sea, Black Sea, Adriatic Sea)
- Know the capital cities of the UK.
- Know the names of surrounding seas of the UK.
- Identify where the Lake District, Pennines, Snowdonia and Grampian Mountains are.
- Identify the names and locations of some of key rivers of the UK.
- Name and locate counties of the UK.
- Describe the climate of the UK and some of the differences.

Year 4 NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA

- Identify the location of the continents of North and South America.
- Know where and what the Tropic of Cancer and Capricorn are and how they cross the continents.
- Understand the terms 'Northern Hemisphere' and 'Southern Hemisphere.'
- Find and identify the Mississippi River.
- Identify and locate Canada, USA (including Alaska) and Mexico.
- Identify and locate The Caribbean.
- Know where the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans are.
- Identify where Central America is
- Identify key geographical areas including (Death Valley, NYC and the Great Lakes)
- Identify countries that are within the Equator.
- Identify Peru, Argentina, Brazil and Columbia.
- Know where the Amazon rainforest and river are located.
- Know how deforestation is affecting the rainforests.
- Identify and describe some of the climates which make up North and South America.
- Understand what a biome is and some of the biomes which make up North and South America.

Year 5 NORTHERN EUROPE

- Knowing what and where the countries that comprise it (Norway, Sweden, Iceland, Denmark and Finland.)
- Know what the Arctic Circle is and how it effects Scandinavian countries.
- Know what the Prime Greenwich/Meridian line is and its location in the UK.
- Identify lines of longitude and latitude on a globe and map.
- Identify the climate of countries in northern Europe.
- Know where the Scandinavian mountains are.
- Locate the North and Norwegian Seas.
- Identify what a settlement is and how land is used in different northern European countries.
- Know what countries in northern Europe can trade and describe some of the trade links.

Year 6 RIVERS, VOLCANOES AND EARTHQUAKES (including local river study)

- Know key terminology related to the construction of river (including source, tributary, floodplain, channel, riverbank, confluence, flow and mouth)
- Can identify and locate these key rivers (Nile, Amazon, Yangtze, Thames and Mississippi) including the countries and continents they flow through.
- Know how different human settlements around the world have relied and made use of the river.
- Understand how rivers flood.
- Know the structure of the Earth (crust, mantle, outer core and inner core.)
- Have knowledge of the Earth's tectonic plates including plate boundaries and how these cause earthquakes.
- Know how the Richter Scale works.
- Can describe that a volcano is a mountain or hill in which lava, rock fragments and gas erupt from the Earth's crust.
- Know the difference between active a dormant volcano.
- Locate key volcanoes (Mount Vesuvius, Mount Fuji and Krakatoa) including the countries and continents they are on.