

# Geography Curriculum Overview

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Y6	Europe – construction and history	Journeys: Antarctica (latitude, longitude)	Amazing Americas: North America
Y5	Africa	Times and Lines (Time zones, tropics and hemispheres)	Local Geography – Rivers Global rivers and their formation
Y4	Settlements and Land Use	Climate Zones and Rainforests	South America
Y3	Settlements Volcanoes, mountains and earthquakes	Europe – Italy	Local Geography - Sussex and neighbouring counties Coasts
Y2	Seven Continents and Five Oceans Local Geography – South of England	Compare UK with contrasting location – Australia and Polar regions Hot and cold global locations	Seasonal Weather patterns
Y1	Name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas	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	Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of the River Thames and the River Ouse
YR	Local Environment – Home Weather – 4 seasons	Positional language Countries	Comparing environments

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Y6	<p>How did the Second World War change the geography of Europe and key areas of the rest of the world? How was our local area affected by war? What instructions would you give to someone wanting to journey from our school to Fishbourne in the IOW?</p>	<p>How does the human and physical geography of Antarctica compare with ours? What time zone is Antarctica in? What purpose do the invisible lines on a globe have?</p>	<p>North America: How does an area of North America compare and contrast with our locality? Theme Week: Can you use a compass and read a 6 figure map reference? What is field work? What is meant by Land Use, and how does this relate to our local area?</p>
Y5	<p>Where is the continent of Africa? What are some of the countries that make up Africa? What are some of Africa's major geographical features? How is Africa similar and different to where I live? Why is the Nile so important to modern day and Ancient Egypt?</p>	<p>How do you work out the times around the world? How do the hemispheres differ? What are the seasons and how do they affect our lives?</p>	<p>Where does our water come from? How do we use rivers? What is a river and what does it do? How does water affect our surroundings?</p>
Y4	<p>What are the physical, human and environmental features of our local area? What makes our local area a good settlement? What has our land been used for in the past?</p>	<p>What is a climate zone? Why are rainforests important to the world? How is deforestation affecting rainforests?</p>	<p>What are the countries and climates of South America? What is it like to live in Brazil? How does economics and trade affect the indigenous tribes of Brazil?</p>
Y3	<p>What things might help people decide where to live? Why does a volcano erupt? How do we get mountains?</p>	<p>Where is Italy? How is Italy similar or different to where I live? How does a volcano erupt? What is Rome like?</p>	<p>Where do I live in the UK? What are the human and physical features of our locality? What is a coast? What are our neighbouring counties?</p>
Y2	<p>Where are we in the world? Where do I live? What features does it have? Can you identify and name the 7 continents and 5 oceans?</p>	<p>Why are there cold and hot parts of the world? What would it be like to live in the Polar regions? What are the similarities and differences between Australia and the UK?</p>	<p>What makes a place special? How can we look after the places we live in? How does the weather vary from day to day and why? What is the difference between weather and climate?</p>
Y1	<p>What is the United Kingdom? Where is the United Kingdom on a map? What are the four countries and their capital cities that make up the United Kingdom? Which seas surround the United Kingdom?</p>	<p>What can I find in my school and its grounds? What is similar about my home and other places in my local area? How can I use locational and directional language to describe locations on a map? How can I use a map to show my local area?</p>	<p>How is the River Thames different to the River Ouse? Where is London? Which river runs through London? Where is Haywards Heath? Which river skirts Haywards Heath?</p>
YR	<p>What is the name of the village/town that you live in? How do you travel to school? How can you tell that it's Autumn? What can you wear to keep warm?</p>	<p>Why do we use maps? Where would you find pigs, sheep and cows?</p>	<p>What is the difference between a village and a city? What can we use to find out about countries that may differ from our own? Where would you like to live? Why? Where would you find a penguin? Why?</p>