

| Concepts              | Early Years                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Key Stage 1<br>(Years 1 & 2)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Lower Key Stage 2<br>(Years 3 & 4)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Upper Key Stage 2<br>(Years 5 & 6)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| Investigate<br>places | Explain some similarities<br>and differences between<br>life in this country and<br>life in other countries,<br>drawing on knowledge<br>from stories, non-fiction<br>texts and – when<br>appropriate – maps.<br>Describe their<br>immediate environment<br>using knowledge from<br>observation, discussion,<br>stories, non-fiction texts<br>and maps.<br>Know some similarities<br>and differences between<br>the natural world<br>around them and<br>contrasting<br>environments, drawing<br>on their experiences and<br>what has been read in<br>class. | Ask and answer geographical<br>questions (such as: What is<br>this place like? What or who<br>will I see in this place? What do<br>people do in this place? What do<br>people do in this place?).<br>Identify the key features of a<br>location in order to say whether<br>it is a city, town, village,<br>coastal or rural area.<br>Use world maps, atlases and<br>globes to identify the United<br>Kingdom and its countries, as<br>well as the countries,<br>continents and oceans studied.<br>Use simple fieldwork and<br>observational skills to study the<br>geography of the school and<br>the key human and physical<br>features of its<br>surrounding environment.<br>Use aerial images and plan<br>perspectives to recognise<br>landmarks and basic physical<br>features.<br>Name, locate and identify<br>characteristics of the four<br>countries and capital cities of | Ask and answer geographical<br>questions about the physical and<br>human characteristics of a<br>location.<br>Explain own views about locations,<br>giving reasons.<br>Use maps, atlases, globes and<br>digital/computer mapping to locate<br>countries and describe features.<br>Use fieldwork to observe and<br>record the human and physical<br>features in the local area using a<br>range of methods including sketch<br>maps, plans and graphs and digital<br>technologies.<br>Use a range of resources to<br>identify the key physical and<br>human features of a location.<br>Name and locate counties and<br>cities of the United Kingdom,<br>geographical regions and<br>their identifying human and<br>physical characteristics, including<br>hills, mountains, cities, rivers,<br>key topographical features and<br>land-use patterns; and understand<br>how some of these aspects<br>have changed over time. | Collect and analyse statistics<br>and other information in order<br>to draw clear conclusions about<br>locations.<br>Identify and describe how the<br>physical features affect the<br>human activity within a<br>location.<br>Use a range of geographical<br>resources to give detailed<br>descriptions and opinions of<br>the characteristic features of a<br>location.<br>Use different types of fieldwork<br>sampling (random and<br>systematic) to observe,<br>measure and record the human<br>and physical features in the<br>local area. Record the results in<br>a range of ways.<br>Analyse and give views on the<br>effectiveness of different<br>geographical representations of<br>a location (such as aerial<br>images compared with maps<br>and topological maps - as in<br>London's Tube map).<br>Name and locate some of the<br>countries and cities of the<br>world and their identifying |



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| Investigate<br>patterns | Know some similarities<br>and differences between<br>the natural world<br>around them and<br>contrasting<br>environments, drawing<br>on their experiences and<br>what has been read in<br>class.<br>Explain some similarities<br>and differences between<br>life in this country and<br>life in other countries,<br>drawing on knowledge<br>from stories, non-fiction<br>texts and – when<br>appropriate – maps. | Understand geographical<br>similarities and differences<br>through studying the human<br>and physical geography of a<br>small area of the<br>United Kingdom and of a<br>contrasting non-<br>European country.<br>• Identify seasonal and daily<br>weather patterns in the United<br>Kingdom and the location of<br>hot and cold areas of the world<br>in relation to the Equator and<br>the North and South Poles.<br>• Identify land use around the<br>school. | <ul> <li>Name and locate the Equator,<br/>Northern Hemisphere, Southern<br/>Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer<br/>and Capricorn, Arctic and<br/>Antarctic Circle and date time<br/>zones. Describe some of<br/>the characteristics of these<br/>geographical areas.</li> <li>Describe geographical<br/>similarities and<br/>differences between countries.</li> <li>Describe how the locality of the<br/>school has changed over time.</li> </ul> | Identify and describe the<br>geographical significance of<br>latitude, longitude,<br>Equator, Northern Hemisphere,<br>Southern Hemisphere, the<br>Tropics of Cancer and<br>Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic<br>Circle, and time zones<br>(including day and night).<br>• Understand some of the<br>reasons for geographical<br>similarities and differences<br>between countries.<br>• Describe how locations<br>around the world are changing<br>and explain some of the<br>reasons for change. |



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| Communicate<br>geographically | <ul> <li>Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to:</li> <li>key physical features, including: beach, coast, forest, hill, mountain, ocean, river, soil, valley, vegetation and weather.</li> <li>key human features, including: city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office and shop.</li> <li>Use compass directions (north, south, east and west) and locational language (e.g. near and far) to describe the location of features and routes on a map.</li> <li>Devise a simple map; and use and construct basic symbols in a key. Use simple grid references (A1, B1).</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Describe key aspects of:</li> <li>physical geography, including:<br/>rivers, mountains, volcanoes and<br/>earthquakes and the water cycle.</li> <li>human geography, including:<br/>settlements and land use.</li> <li>Use the eight points of a<br/>compass, four-figure grid<br/>references, symbols and key to<br/>communicate knowledge of the<br/>United Kingdom and the<br/>wider world.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Describe and understand key aspects of:</li> <li><b>physical geography</b>, including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes and the water cycle.</li> <li><b>human geography</b>, including: settlements, land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals, and water supplies.</li> <li>Use the eight points of a compass, four-figure grid references, symbols and a key (that uses standard Ordnance Survey symbols) to communicate knowledge of the United Kingdom and the world.</li> <li>Create maps of locations identifying patterns (such as:</li> </ul> |



|  |  | land use, climate zones,<br>population densities, height of<br>land). |
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