

Progression of Skills in Geography

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Geographical enquiry	 * Teacher led enquiries, to ask and respond to simple closed questions. * Use information books/pictures as sources of information. * Investigate their sur- roundings * Make observations about where things are e.g. within school or lo- cal area. 	 Children encouraged to ask simple geograph- ical questions; Where is it? What's it like? Use NF books, stories, maps, pictures/photos and internet as sources of information. Investigate their sur- roundings Make appropriate ob- servations about why things happen. Make simple compari- sons between features of different places. 	 * Begin to ask/initiate geographical questions. * Use NF books, stories, atlases, pictures/photos and internet as sources of information. * Investigate places and themes at more than one scale * Begin to collect and record evidence * Analyse evidence and begin to draw conclu- sions e.g. make compari- sons between two loca- tions using photos/ pic- tures, temperatures in different locations. 	 * Ask and respond to questions and offer their own ideas. * Extend to satellite images, aerial photo- graphs * Investigate places and themes at more than one scale * Collect and record evidence with some aid * Analyse evidence and draw conclusions e.g. make comparisons be- tween locations photos/ pictures/ maps 	 * Begin to suggest questions for investigating * Begin to use primary and secondary sources of evidence in their investigations. * Investigate places with more emphasis on the larger scale; contrasting and distant places * Collect and record evidence unaided * Analyse evidence and draw conclusions e.g. compare historical maps of varying scales e.g. temperature of various locations - influence on people/everyday life 	 * Suggest questions for investigating * Use primary and sec- ondary sources of evi- dence in their investiga- tions. * Investigate places with more emphasis on the larger scale; con- trasting and distant places * Collect and record evidence unaided * Analyse evidence and draw conclusions e.g. from field work data on land use comparing land use/temperature, look at patterns and explain reasons behind it



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Drawing Maps	 * Draw picture maps of imaginary places and from stories. * Draw basic maps, in- cluding appropriate symbols and pictures to represent places or fea- tures. 	 * Draw a map of a real or imaginary place. (e.g. add detail to a sketch map from aerial photo- graph) * Draw or make a map of real or imaginary places * Use and construct basic symbols in a key. 	 * Try to make a map of a short route experi- enced, with features in correct order; * Try to make a simple scale drawing. * Use standard symbols and understand the im- portance of a key. 	 * Make a map of a short route experienced, with features in correct or- der; * Make a simple scale drawing. * Recognise and use the OS map symbols, includ- ing completion of a key and understanding why it is important. * Draw a sketch map from a high viewpoint. 	 * Begin to draw a varie- ty of thematic maps based on their own data. * Draw a sketch map using symbols and a key. * Use and recognise OS map symbols regularly. 	 * Draw a variety of the matic maps based on their own data. * Begin to draw plans of increasing complexity. * Begin to use and recognise atlas symbols.
Using maps	 * Use a simple picture map to move around the school. * Use relative vocabu- lary such as bigger, smaller, like, dislike * Use directional lan- guage such as near and far, up and down, left and right, forwards and backwards * Recognise that it is about a place. 	 * Follow a route on a map. * Use a plan view. * Use an infant atlas to locate places. * using simple compass directions (N,S,E,W) * Use ariel photographs and plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features. 	 * Locate places on larger scale maps e.g. map of Europe, including OS and digital. * Follow a route on a map with some accuracy. (e.g. whilst orienteering) * Begin to match boundaries * Use a 4 figure compass and letter/number co-ordinates to identify features on a map. 	 * Locate places on large scale maps, (e.g. Find UK or India on globe) * Follow a route on a large scale map. * Identify features on an aerial photograph, digital or computer map. * Begin to use 8 figure compass and 4 four fig- ure grid references to identify features on a map. 	 Compare maps with aerial photographs. Select a map for a specific purpose. (E.g. Pick atlas to find Tai- wan, OS map to find local village.) Begin to use atlases to find out about other features of places. (e.g. find wettest part of the world) Find and recognise places on maps of dif- ferent scales. Use 8 figure com- passes, begin to use 6 figure grid reference. 	 * Follow a short route on an OS map. * Describe features shown on OS map. * Use 8 figure compass and 6 figure grid refer- ence accurately * Use lines of longitude and latitude on maps



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Scale/distance	* Use relative vocabu- lary (e.g. bigger/smaller, like/dislike)	* Begin to spatially match places (e.g. rec- ognise UK on a small scale and larger scale map)	* Begin to match bound- aries (E.g. find same boundary of a country on different scale maps.)	* Begin to match bound- aries (E.g. find same boundary of a county on different scale maps.)	 * Measure straight line distance on a plan. * Find/recognise places on maps of different scales. (E.g. river Nile.) 	* Use a scale to meas- ure distances. * Draw/use maps and plans at a range of scales.
Map knowledge	* Use world maps to identify the UK in its position in the world. * Learn names of some places within/around the UK. E.g. Home town, cit- ies, countries e.g. Wales, France. * Use maps to locate the four countries and capi- tal cities of the UK.	world map the hot and	* Locate the UK on a variety of different scale maps * Name and locate the countries and cities of the UK.	 Locate Europe on a large scale map or globe. Name and locate coun- tries in Europe (including Russia) and their capital cities. 	 * Locate the world's countries, focus on North and South America * Identify the position and significance of lines of longitude and latitude. 	* Locate the world's countries on a variety of maps, including the areas studied through- out the Key Stages.
Style of map	* Picture maps and globes	 * Find land/sea on globe. * Use teacher drawn base maps. * Use large scale OS maps. * Use an infant atlas 	 * Use large scale OS maps. * Begin to use map sites on internet. * Begin to use junior atlases. * Begin to identify fea- tures on aerial/oblique photographs. 	 * Use large and medium scale OS maps. * Use junior atlases. * Use map sites on internet. * Identify features on aerial/oblique photographs. 	* Use index and con- tents page within atlas- es. * Use medium scale land ranger OS maps.	* Use OS maps. * Confidently use an atlas. * Recognise world map as a flattened globe.