Y3 & 4 GEOGRAPHY CURRICULUM



Year A

AUTUMN: "ARCHEOLOGY ROCKS!"	SPRING: "OUTLAWS!"	SUMMER: "LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE!"
STICKY KNOWLEDGE	STICKY KNOWLEDGE	STICKY KNOWLEDGE
Human and physical Geography - Describe and understand key aspects of human geography Geography Skills – use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied including types of settlement and land use. Describe and understand key aspects of physical geography including key topographical features (inc hills, mountains, coasts, rivers) and land patterns. Understand how some of these aspects have changed over time. Learn the eight points of a compass, and four-figure grid references. People made choices about where to live depending on the geographical surroundings such a hills, rivers and coasts. Early man settled all over Europe including, England, France, Germany, Italy and Poland. The 8 points on a Compass are North, Northeast, East, Southeast, South, Southwest, West, and Northwest. Mountains make up one-fifth of the world's landscape. Mountains can be rocky and barren but some have trees growing on their sides and very high mountains have snow on their peaks. Year 4 Ext: Describe and understand key aspects of physical geography (e.g. volcanoes, earthquakes, water-cycle, coasts / rivers). Recognise types of settlements in modern Britain: villages, towns, cities Use the eight points of a compass, four-figure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps).	NOTTINGHAMSHIRE (including NOTTINGHAM v. NEWARK, SHERWOOD FOREST & the RIVER TRENT) Location Knowledge — understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom, a region in a European country. Name and locate counties and cities of the United Kingdom, geographical regions and their identifying human and physical characteristics, key topographical features (e.g. hills, mountains, coasts and rivers), and land-use patterns; and understand how some of these aspects have changed Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom Describe and understand key aspects of physical geography including: vegetation belts and rivers Use fieldwork to observe, measure, record and present the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital tech Newark is part of Nottinghamshire which is an English County. The start of a river is called the source and the end is called the mouth. The river Trent is 298km long and runs through Nottingham, Newark and Trent Vale. Many rivers and streams will join together before they reach the mouth of the river. The smaller rivers and streams are called tributaries. Nottingham is a city, whereas Newark-On-Trent is a Market Town; both have the River Trent run through them. Sherwood Forest is an ancient woodland near Nottingham, England Year 4 Ext: Identify the position and significance of Equator, N. and	MAP WORK – location of Christian sites of pilgrimage (UK) and Islam (Mecca) Fieldwork skills - use the eight points of a compass four and sixfigure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps). Use fieldwork to observe, measure and record the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps. Use maps, atlases and globes to locate countries and describe features. Use maps to locate European countries and capitals. North may be at the top of maps today, but that wasn't always the case. During the middle ages, most Western maps put east at the top instead. Cartography is the study of maps and map making. Someone who makes maps is called a cartographer. There are 44 countries in Europe. A small number of countries on the continent are transcontinental, meaning they are considered to be a part of both Europe and Asia. Mecca is in Saudi Arabia, which is in Asia. Year 4 ext: Know how to plan a journey within the UK, using a road map. Use fieldwork to observe, measure and record the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps and plans. Use maps, atlases, globes and digital mapping (e.g. Google Earth) to locate countries, using maps to focus on Europe, concentrating on: countries, cities, key physical and human characteristics and environmental regions.
KEY VOCABULARY	S. Hemisphere, Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn. KEY VOCABULARY	KEY VOCABULARY
Settlement, community, landscape, relief map, political map, cliff, ocean, fieldwork, mountain, weathering, valley, hills, mountains, coasts, rivers.	Nottingham , city, Newark, Sherwood, River Trent, hills, mountains, coast, rivers, estuary, source, erosion, stream	European, capital city, road map, fieldwork, industry, compass, North West, climate zone, tropical, environment, Ordnance Survey, symbol, grid reference, Mecca, pilgrimage,

Year B

AUTUMN: "MOVERS & SHAKERS"	SPRING: "SPLASH & CRASH!"	SUMMER: "TO INFINITY AND BEYOND"
STICKY KNOWLEDGE	STICKY KNOWLEDGE	STICKY KNOWLEDGE
Focus on VIKING JOURNEY and SETTLEMENT (e.g. YORK)	Describe and understand key aspects of The Water Cycle and the distribution of Natural Resources including energy, food, minerals	Investigating the Space race - America and Russia.
Location Knowledge – understand geographical similarities and	and water.	Geography Skills – use maps, atlases, globes and
differences through the study of human and physical geography of a		digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe
region of the United Kingdom, a region in a European country.	Human and Physical Geography – Describe and understand key	features studied.
Name and locate cities of the UK, geographical regions (and their	aspects of human geography	Use maps, atlases and globes to locate countries and
identifying characteristics), key topographical features (hills, mountains,	Fieldwork skills - use the eight points of a compass four and six-	describe features.
coasts and rivers) & land-use.	figure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of	Learn the eight points of a compass, and four-figure grid
Understand how some of these aspects have changed over time.	Ordnance Survey maps).	references.
 name and locate counties and cities of the United Kingdom 	Describe, understand and make links key aspects of physical	
 understand geographical similarities and differences through the 	geography including key topographical features (inc hills, mountains,	There are 23 countries in North America, with Canada being
study of human and physical geography of a region of the United	coasts, rivers) and land patterns. Understand how some of these	the biggest.
Kingdom, a region in a European country	aspects have changed over time.	Mexico City is the largest city in North America with more
 human geography, including: types of settlement and land use, 	Use fieldwork to observe, measure and record the human and	than 9 million people living there.
economic activity including trade links	physical features in the local area using a range of methods,	Lake Superior, which borders Canada and the US, is the third
	including sketch maps.	largest lake in the world and the largest North American
Birmingham, Manchester, Sheffield and Liverpool are all big cities		lake.
located in the midlands and north of England.	Clouds form when warm, moist air is cooled. When it is cooled, it	Russia is quite unusual in that its land mass is so big
York is an old Viking settlement.	condenses into tiny water droplets which appear as clouds.	that it spans two continents: Europe and Asia.
The Vikings came from Scandinavia from Denmark, Norway and Sweden	Heat from the sun evaporates water, which rises, condenses in the	Russia is the largest country in the world by far, with a total
and they occupied territories across Great Britain and what is now the	cool air and then falls back down to earth.	area of about 17 million square kilometres.
Republic of Ireland – which are all in Europe.	Just under 25% of the UK coastal waters are protected. Over 6,500	
A compass has eight points, north-northeast (NNE), east-northeast	species of plants and animals are found here.	Year 4 ext:
(ENE), east-southeast (ESE), south-southeast (SSE), south-southwest	Flooding can be prevented in some areas by building dams and flood	Use maps, atlases, globes and digital mapping (e.g. Google
(SSW), west-southwest (WSW), west-northwest (WNW) and north-	barriers. However, blocking a river at one location can cause	Earth) to locate countries & describe features.
northwest (NNW).	flooding further up or downstream. Water is stored in reservoirs to allow solids to settle at the bottom.	Use the eight points of a compass, four-figure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance
Maps use grid references to make it easier to find locations.	water is stored in reservoirs to dilow solids to settle at the bottom.	Survey maps).
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Year 4 ext:	Describe, understand and compare key aspects of: Physical	concentrating on: North America countries, cities, key
Recognise types of settlements in modern Britain: villages, towns, cities Locate countries, using maps to focus on Europe concentrating on:	geography (e.g. volcanoes, earthquakes, water-cycle, coasts /	physical and human characteristics and environental
countries, cities, key physical and human characteristics and	rivers).	regions.
environmental regions.	Use fieldwork to observe, measure and record the human and	regions.
Identify the position and significance of Equator, N. and S. Hemisphere,	physical features in the local area using a range of methods,	
Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn.	including sketch maps and plans.	
KEY VOCABULARY	KEY VOCABULARY	KEY VOCABULARY
Valley, contour, height, hydroponics, allotment, distribution,	Water vapor, dam, pollution, reservoir, rivers, rain, coastal,	American state, national park, The 'big apple', NASA,
import, export, native/ indigenous, sustainable, Tropics of Cancer	chemicals, fertilizer, heat, groundwater, wind, precipitation,	Washington D.C. USA, Canada, city, country,
and Capricorn, Hemisphere, continent, Europe, England, sea,	evaporation, condensation	continent, Europe. Maps, grid reference, globe,
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