

Southbury Primary School-Geography Skills Progression

EYFS			Key Stage One			Key Stage Two		
			Place		•	·		
World UK Location Position Maps								
Reception	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Fou	ır	Year Five	Year Six	
Reception Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places	Name and locate the four countries of the UK and their capital cities on a map, atlas or globe Use simple directional and positional language to give directions, describe the location of features and discuss where things are in relation to each other			Locate and nan main counties an of the Uli Locate the coul of North, Cent South America world map, at globe Locate significates using lar and longitu Identify the locate of the Tropic Cancer and Cap on a world in Use the eight of a compass, and six-figure references, sy and a key to locate and plot geograplaces and featon a map Use four or six grid references keys to describ location of ob	me the and cities K untries tral and ca on a clas or ficant atitude and cation cs of pricorn map points four e grid symbols locate aphical atures of cations of cations at the colects of the objects	Name, locate and describe major world cities Use compass points and grid references to interpret maps, including Ordnance Survey maps, with accuracy Create a detailed study of geographical features, such as a significant river or mountainous region of the UK	Explain interconnections between two areas of the world Describe patterns of human population growth and movement, economic activities, space, land use and human settlement patterns of an area of the UK or the wider world Identify the position and explain the significance of latitude, longitude, equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic Circle, the Prime (or Greenwich) Meridian and time zones (including day and night) Use lines of longitude and latitude or grid references to find the	
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Comparison								
Compare and contrast								
Children know about	Identify geographical	Describe and compare	Classify, compare and	Describe and compare	Identify and describe	Describe the climatic		
similarities and	similarities and	the human and	contrast different	aspects of physical	the similarities and	similarities and		
differences in relation	differences between	physical similarities	types of geographical	features	differences in physical	differences between		
to places. They talk	two places	and differences	feature		and human	two regions		
about the features of		between an area of			geography between			
their own immediate		the UK and a			continents			
environment and how		contrasting non-						
environments might		European country						
vary from one		(Brazil, Australia,						
another		Egypt)						
			Processes					
al il l			and weather Physical p					
Children know about	Identify patterns in	Identify seasonal and	Explain the physical	Explain climatic	Explain how the			
similarities and	daily and seasonal	daily patterns in the UK	processes that cause	variations of a	climate affects land			
differences in relation	weather	and the location of hot	earthquakes,	country or continent	use			
to places. They talk		and cold areas of the	volcanic eruptions and					
about the features of		world in relation to the	the water cycle		Describe how soil			
their own immediate		Equator and the North			fertility, drainage and			
environment and how		and South Poles.			climate affect			
environments might					agricultural land use			
vary from one								
another			Makoo					
			Nature Physical features					
			Environment					
Children know about	Use basic	Describe the size,	Describe the parts of	Explain how climate	Identify and describe	Compare and		
similarities and	geographical	location and position	a volcano or	change affects climate	some key physical	describe physical		
differences in relation	vocabulary to identify	of a physical feature	earthquake	zones and biomes	features and	features of rainforests		
to places. They talk	and describe physical	of a physical feature	earmquake	across the world	environmental	reardies of rainforests		
about the features of	features			deross the world	regions of North and			
their own immediate	reatures				South America and			
environment and how					explain how these,			
					along with the climate			
environments might								
vary from one another					zones and soil types, can affect land use			
ano mer					can affect land use			
					Identify, describe and			
					explain the formation			
					of different mountain			
					types			
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Humankind Human features and landmarks Settlements and land use						
They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another	Name and describe the purpose of human features and landmarks	Use geographical vocabulary to describe how and why people use a range of human features	Describe the type and purpose of different buildings, monuments, services and land, and identify reasons for their location	Describe a range of human features and their location and explain how they are interconnected		Explain how humans function in the place they live Describe the distribution of natural resources in an area or country
			Investigation			
			Geographical resources			
			Data analysis Fieldwork			
similarities and differences in relation to places. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another	Identify features and landmarks on an aerial photograph or plan perspective Carry out fieldwork tasks to identify characteristics of the school grounds or locality Use simple compass directions and locational and directional language to describe the location of features on a map	Study aerial photographs to describe the features and characteristics of an area of land Collect and organise simple data in charts and tables from primary sources (fieldwork and observation) and secondary sources (maps and books) Ask and answer simple geographical questions through observation or simple data collection during fieldwork activities	Analyse maps, atlases and globes, including digital mapping, to locate countries and describe features studied Analyse primary data, identifying any patterns observed Gather evidence to answer a geographical question or enquiry	Study and draw conclusions about places and geographical features using a range of geographical resources, including maps, atlases, globes and digital mapping Collect and analyse primary and secondary data, identifying and analysing patterns and suggesting reasons for them Investigate a geographical hypothesis using a range of fieldwork techniques	Analyse and compare a place or places using aerial photographs. atlases and maps Summarise geographical data to draw conclusions Construct or carry out a geographical enquiry by gathering and analysing a range of sources	Use satellite imaging and maps of different scales to find out geographical information about a place

Materials							
Natural and man-made materials							
Children know about			Name and describe			Explain how the	
similarities and			the types, appearance			presence of rain makes	
differences in relation			and properties of			the rainforest	
to places, materials			rocks			different to other	
						places on Earth	
They talk about the							
features of their own							
immediate							
environment and how							
environments might							
vary from one							
another							
			Significance				
			Significant places				
Children know about		Name, locate and	Name and locate		Name, locate and		
similarities and		explain the	significant volcanoes		explain the		
differences in relation		significance of a	and plate boundaries		importance of		
to places		place	and explain why they		significant mountains		
			are important		or rivers		
They talk about the							
features of their own							
immediate							
environment and how							
environments might							
vary from one							
another							
			Change				
Geographical change							
Children know about		Describe how an	Describe how a		Describe how the	Present a detailed	
similarities and		environment has or	significant		characteristic of a	account of how an	
differences in relation		might change over	geographical activity		settlement changes as	industry, including	
to places		time	has changed a		it gets bigger	tourism, has changed	
			landscape in the short		(settlement	a place or landscape	
They talk about the			or long term		hierarchy)	over time	
features of their own							
immediate							
environment and how							
environments might							
vary from one							
another							