

Cliffe Woods Primary School Geography Milestone Progression

Threshold	Milestone 1	Milestone 2	Milestone 3
Concept	(Years 1 & 2)	(Years 3 & 4)	(Years 5 & 6)
Investigate places This concept involves understanding the geographical location of places and their physical and human features.	Ask and answer geographical questions (such as: What is this place like? What or who will I see in this place? What do people do in this place?). Identify the key features of a location in order to say whether it is a city, town, village, coastal or rural area. Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries, as well as the countries, continents and oceans studied. Use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of the school and the key human and physical features of its surrounding environment. Use aerial images and plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic physical features. Name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas. Name and locate the world's continents and oceans.	Ask and answer geographical questions about the physical and human characteristics of a location. Explain own views about locations, giving reasons. Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features. Use fieldwork to observe and record the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods including sketch maps, plans and graphs and digital technologies. Use a range of resources to identify the key physical and human features of a location. Name and locate counties and cities of the United Kingdom, geographical regions and their identifying human and physical characteristics, including hills, mountains, cities, rivers, key topographical features and land-use patterns; and understand how some of these aspects have changed over time. Name and locate the countries of Europe and identify their main physical and human characteristics	Collect and analyse statistics and other information in order to draw clear conclusions about locations. Identify and describe how the physical features affect the human activity within a location. Use a range of geographical resources to give detailed descriptions and opinions of the characteristic features of a location. Use different types of fieldwork sampling (random and systematic) to observe, measure and record the human and physical features in the local area. Record the results in a range of ways. Analyse and give views on the effectiveness of different geographical representations of a location (such as aerial images compared with maps and topological maps - as in London's Tube map). Name and locate some of the countries and cities of the world and their identifying human and physical characteristics, including hills, mountains, rivers, key topographical features and land use patterns; and understand how some of these aspects have changed over time. Name and locate the countries of North and South America and identify their main physical and human characteristics.

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Investigate patterns This concept involves understanding the relationships between the physical features of places and the human activity within them	Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the United Kingdom and of a contrasting non European country. Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom and the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles. Identify land use around the school.	Name and locate the Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic Circle and date time zones. Describe some of the characteristics of these geographical areas. Describe geographical similarities and differences between countries. Describe how the locality of the school has changed over time.	Identify and describe the geographical significance of latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic Circle, and time zones (including day and night). Understand some of the reasons for geographical similarities and differences between countries. Describe how locations around the world are changing and explain some of the reasons for change. Describe geographical diversity across the world. Describe how countries and geographical regions are interconnected and interdependent.

Milestone 2 Milestone 3 **Threshold** Milestone 1 (Years 1 & 2) (Years 3 & 4) (Years 5 & 6) Concept Use basic geographical Describe and understand key Communicate Describe key aspects of vocabulary to refer to: geographically physical geography, including aspects of: This concept involves key physical features, including: rivers, mountains, volcanoes physical geography, including: and earthquakes and the climate zones, biomes and beach, coast, forest, hill, understanding vegetation belts, rivers, mountain, ocean, river, soil, geographical water cycle. valley, vegetation and weather. mountains, volcanoes and representations, earthquakes and the water vocabulary and Describe key aspects of Key human features, including: cycle. techniques. human geography, including city, town, village, factory, farm, human geography, including: settlements and land use. house, office and shop. settlements, land use, economic activity including Use the eight points of the Use compass directions (north, trade links, and the compass, four-figure grid south, east and west) and distribution of natural references, symbols and key locational language (e.g. near resources including energy, to communicate knowledge and far) to describe the location food, minerals, and water of the United Kingdom and of features and routes on a map. supplies. the wider world. Use the eight points of a Devise a simple map; and use compass, four figure grid and construct basic symbols in a references, symbols and a key key. Use simple grid references (that uses standard Ordnance (A1, B1). Survey symbols) to communicate knowledge of the United Kingdom and the world. Create maps of locations identifying patterns (such as: land use, climate zones, population densities, height of land).