Threshold Concepts Progression - Geography

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 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? • Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the continents and oceans studied. • Use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of the school. • Use aerial images to recognise landmarks. • Name and locate the world's continents and oceans.	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. • 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.	Ask and answer geographical questions about the physical and human characteristics of a location. • Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and begin to 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. • Use a range of resources to identify the key physical and human features of a location. • Name and locate counties, cities of the United Kingdom and name and locate the countries of Europe and identify their main physical and human characteristics.	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, cities of the United Kingdom and name and locate the countries of Europe and identify their main physical and human characteristics.	 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. 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. 	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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	Understand geographical similarities and	Understand geographical	Name and locate the Equator,	Name and locate the Equator,	Identify and describe the geographical	Identify and describe the geographical
	differences through studying the human and	similarities and differences	Northern Hemisphere, Southern	Northern Hemisphere, Southern	significance of latitude, longitude,	significance of latitude, longitude,
Investigate patterns	physical geography of a small area of the United	through studying the human and	Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer	Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer	Equator, Northern Hemisphere,	Equator, Northern Hemisphere,
This concept involves	Kingdom	physical geography of a small	and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic	and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic	Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of	Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of
understanding the		area of the United Kingdom and	Circle and date time zones. Describe	Circle and date time zones. Describe	Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and	Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and
relationships	Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in	of a contrasting non-European	some of the characteristics of these	some of the characteristics of these	Antarctic Circle, and time zones	Antarctic Circle, and time zones
between the physical	the United Kingdom and the location of hot and	country.	geographical areas.	geographical areas.	(including day and night).	(including day and night).
features of places	cold areas of the world in relation to the					
and the human	Equator and the North and South Poles.	Identify seasonal and daily	Describe geographical similarities and	Describe geographical similarities and	Understand some of the reasons for	Understand some of the reasons for
activity within them,		weather patterns in the United	differences between countries.	differences between countries.	geographical similarities and	geographical similarities and differences
and the appreciation	Identify land use around the school.	Kingdom and the location of hot			differences between countries.	between countries and describe how
of how the world's		and cold areas of the world in	Begin to look at how an area has	Describe how an area has changed		locations around the world are changing
natural resources are		relation to the Equator and the	changed over time – referring to	over time – referring to human and	Describe geographical diversity across	and explain some of the reasons for
used and		North and South Poles.	human and physical features.	physical features.	the world.	change.
transported.						
		Identify land use of the				Describe how countries and
		surrounding environment.				geographical regions are interconnected
						and interdependent.
	Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to:	Use basic geographical	Describe key aspects of:	Describe key aspects of:	Describe and understand key aspects	Describe and understand key aspects
	key physical features, including: forest, hill,	vocabulary to refer to:	physical geography, including:	physical geography, including: rivers,	of:	of:
	mountain, ocean, river, soil, and weather.	key physical features, including:	volcanoes and earthquakes.	mountains, and the water cycle.		
	key human features, including: city, farm,	valley, vegetation, beach, coast			physical geography, including:	physical geography, including:
	house, and shop.	key human features, including:	human geography, including:	human geography, including:	climate zones, biomes and vegetation	climate zones, biomes and vegetation
		factory, office, village, town	settlements and land use.	settlements and land use.	belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes	belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes and
	Use compass directions (north, south, east and	U.s. same and discretized for each	Heatha sight a sight of a common	Heatha sight a sinte of a common	and earthquakes and the water cycle.	earthquakes and the water cycle.
Communicate	west) and locational language (e.g. near and	Use compass directions (north,	Use the eight points of a compass,	Use the eight points of a compass,	a human gaageabu ingluding.	a human gaagramhu ingluding.
Communicate	far).	south, east and west) and	symbols and key to communicate	four-figure grid references, symbols	• human geography, including:	• human geography, including:
geographically	Davida a simula many and was and asystement	locational language (e.g. near	knowledge of the United Kingdom.	and key to communicate knowledge	settlements, land use, economic	settlements, land use, economic
This concept involves	Devise a simple map; and use and construct	and far) to describe the location of features and routes on a		of the wider world.	activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources	activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources
understanding	basic symbols in a key.					
geographical		map.			including energy, food, minerals, and	including energy, food, minerals, and
representations,		Devise a simple map; and use			water supplies.	water supplies.
vocabulary and		and construct basic symbols in a			Use the eight points of a compass,	Use the eight points of a compass,
techniques.		key. Use simple grid references			four and six-figure grid references,	four and six -figure grid references,
					symbols and a key (that uses	symbols and a key (that uses standard
		(A1, B1).			standard Ordnance Survey symbols)	Ordnance Survey symbols) to
					to communicate knowledge of the	communicate knowledge of the United
					United Kingdom and the world.	Kingdom and the world.
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					Create maps of locations identifying	Create maps of locations identifying
					patterns (such as: land use, climate	patterns (such as: land use, climate
					zones, population densities, height of	zones, population densities, height of
					land).	land).
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