

Geography - Vocabulary Progression Map

Below are the vocabulary lists for geography. These give an indication of the words that we want children to become familiar with during each key stage. They are not intended as a test list but show the kind of language staff will use and explain in lessons to broaden pupils' history vocabulary and understanding. Children may be exposed to these set words at an earlier time and there may be overlaps, however, where they have been placed in this table relates to when we would expect the children to understand and apply the words themselves independently. It is expected that key vocabulary is builtupon and that previous historical language is revisited each year. This vocabulary will be displayed on our working walls at appropriate times during the academic year and promoted through geographical talk in lessons.

EYFS	KS1	Lower KS2	Lower KS2
above around	Aerial view	Arctic and Antarctic	adaptations
atlases	Africa	CircleAthens	Arête
Australia	Antarctic	Belfast	biota
Autumn	Ocean	biomes	broad
backwards	Antarctica	Capricorn,	buttress root
bedroom	Asia	change	natural disaster
Brazil	Atlantic Ocean	Characteristic	natural
chimney	Australasia	sclimate zones	
city	Australia	community	resources
cold	Beach	contour	import
destination	Belfast	cultural	equatorial
different	Capital cities	decomposition	Antarctic Circle
door	Cardiff	distribution	sustainable

dry	climate coast	earthquakes	unsustainable
Earth	coast	economic activity	resources
factory	compass	effect	products
farm	Continents	eight point	industrial
forwards	Countries	compassenergy	continent
garage	cliff	Environmental	sub-continent
garden	desert	Equator	development
globes	directions	erosion	•
harbour	Distant	Fieldwork	irrigation
hill	drought	flood	terrain
holiday	East	plane grid	features
home hot	Edinburgh	reference	contour lines
house	Eire Emblem	graphs	subterranean
Kenya lake	England	impact	biomes
left local	Environment	land use	climate zones
maps	Equator	major cities	Conclusions
mountain New	Europe	meander	current,
Zealand	far features	mouth	contemporary
Norwich	forest	natural resources	densities
Norfolk North	Geographical	Northern	distribution of natural
Pole office	globe	Hemisphere	·
port polar	human features	nutrients	resources, watersupplies
rain	human geography	ordnance survey	economic activity
rainforest	ice cap	Patterns	geographical
right river	Indian Ocean	Places plans	diversity

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road	Southern Ocean	political map	interconnected
roof school	Jamaica journey	position	interdependent
sea seasons	Key Landscape	rainforest	land-use
shop	Local location	Regions	patterns
similar	London map	Relief map	latitude
snow	mountain near	Satellite	locations
Spring	Nepal Norfolk	trade	samplingloch
street	North	settlement	broad
Summer	North America	significance	
South Pole	North Pole	sketch maps	longitude
town	Northern Ireland	soluble	measure
traffic lights	ocean	Source	Analyse
under village	Pacific Ocean	southeast	observe
weather wet	physical features	Southern	ordnance survey
wind	cliff Physical	Hemisphere	mappopulation
	geography plan	Southwest	densities Pompeii
	polar	Spring (water)	random and systematic
	1	time zones	sampling.record
		topographical features	interrelated
			society
		Topographical	Statistics
		featuresconvection	
		evaporation	Sustainability
		precipitation	Systematic
		condensation	topological maps

	groundwater runoff materials hemisphere	trade links impermeable percolation earthquake water cycle Tremor Tectonic
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