

Geography Progression of Skills

	EYFS	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6	
Locational	Exploring various	Locating two of	Locating all the	Locating some cour	ntries in Europe	Locating more co	ountries in Europe	
knowledge	maps and globes.	the world's seven	world's seven	and North and Sou	th America using	and North and S	outh America using	
	Understanding	continents on a	continents on a	maps. Locating som	ne major cities of	maps. Locating major cities of the		
	that there are	world map.	world map.	the countries studie	ed. Locating some	countries studie	d. Locating key	
	other countries.	Locating two of	Locating the	key physical feature	es in countries	physical features	in countries studied	
	Understand that	the world's	world's five	studied on a map ir	ncluding significant	on a map . Locat	ing key human	
	there are	oceans (Atlantic	oceans on a	environmental regi	ons. Locating some	features in coun	tries studied.	
	differences	Ocean and Pacific	world map.	key human features	s in countries	Identifying signif	icant environmental	
	between	Ocean) on a	Showing on a	studied. Locating th	ne world's most	regions on a map	o. Using maps to show	
	countries.	world map.	map the oceans	significant mountai	n ranges on a	the distribution	of the world's climate	
		Showing on a	nearest the	world map and ider	ntifying any	zones, biomes ai	nd vegetation belts.	
		map which	continent, they	patterns. Locating v	where the world's	To know the nam	ne of many countries	
		continent they	live in.	volcanoes are on a	map and	and major cities	in Europe and North	
		live in.	To be able to	identifying the 'Ring	g of Fire'. Locating	and South Ameri	ica. To know the	
		To know the	name the seven	some of the world's	s most significant	location of key p	hysical features in	
		name of two	continents of the	rivers and identifyir	ng any patterns.	countries studie	d. To name and	
		continents	world. To be able	To know where Nor	rth and South	describe some o	f the world's	
		(Europe and	to name the five	America are on a w	orld map. To know	vegetation belts	(ice cape, tundra,	
		Asia). To know	oceans of the	the names of some	countries and	coniferous fores	t, deciduous forest,	
		that a continent is	world.	major cities in Euro	pe and North and	evergreen forest	, mixed forest,	
		a group of	Locating the	South America. To l	know the names of	temperate grass	land, tropical	
		countries. To	surrounding seas	some of the world's	s most significant	grassland, medit	erranean, desert	
		know that they	and oceans of the	mountain ranges. T	o know the names	scrub, desert, hi	ghland).*	
		live in the	UK on a map of	of some of the wor	ld's most	Locating many co	ounties in the UK.	
		continent of	this area.	significant rivers. To	o know that	Locating many ci	ties in the UK.	
		Europe. To know	Locating the	mountains, volcand	bes and	Confidently locat	ting the twelve	
		that an ocean is a	capital cities of	earthquakes largely	/ occur at plate	geographical reg	ions of the UK.	
		large body of	the four	boundaries. To kno	w that climate	Identifying key p	hysical and human	
		water. To know	countries of the	zones are areas of t	the world with	characteristics of	f the geographical	
		the name of two	UK on a map of	similar climates.* T	o know the world's	regions in the U	K. Understanding how	



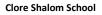
af the successful	this area	different alimenta para (a sustania)	land was has shares down the surface
of the world's	this area.	different climate zones (equatorial,	land-use has changed over time using
oceans (Atlantic	Identifying	tropical, hot desert, temperate and	examples. Explaining why a locality
Ocean and Pacific	characteristics	polar).* To know that biomes are	has changed over time, giving
Ocean).	(both human and	areas of world with similar climates,	examples of both physical and human
Locating the four	physical) of the	vegetation and animals.* To know the	features.
countries of the	four capital cities	world's biomes. * To know vegetation	To know the name of many counties
United Kingdom	of the UK.	belts are areas of the world which are	in the UK. To know the name of many
(UK) on a map of	Showing on a	home to similar plant species.*	cities in the UK. To confidently name
this area.	map the city,	Locating some counties in the UK	the twelve geographical regions of the
Showing on a	town or village	(local to your school). Locating some	UK. To know that London and the
map which	where they live in	cities in the UK (local to your school).	South East regions have the largest
country they live	relation to their	Identifying key physical and human	population in the UK.
in and locating its	capital city.	characteristics of counties, cities	Identifying the location of the
capital city.	To know that a	and/or geographical regions in the UK.	Prime/Greenwich Meridian and time
To know that the	sea is a body of	Beginning to locate the twelve	zones (including day and night) and
UK is short for	water that is	geographical regions of the UK.	explaining its significance. Using
'United Kingdom'.	smaller than an	Identifying how topographical	longitude and latitude when
To know that a	ocean.* To know	features studied have changed over	referencing location in an atlas or on a
country is a land	that there are	time using examples. Describing how a	globe.
or nation with its	four bodies of	locality has changed over time, giving	To know the Prime/Greenwich
own government.	water	examples of both physical and human	Meridian is a line of longitude which
To know that the	surrounding the	features.	goes through 0° and determines the
United Kingdom	UK and to be able	To know the name of some counties in	start of the world's time zones
is made up of	to name them. To	the UK (local to your school). To know	
four countries	name some	the name of some cities in the UK	
and their names.	characteristics of	(local to your school). To know the	
To know the	the four capital	name of the county that they live in	
name of the	cities of the UK.	and their closest city. To begin to	
country they live	To know the four	name the twelve geographical regions	
in.	capital cities of	of the UK. To know the main types of	
	the UK. To know	land use.* To know some types of	
	that a capital city	settlement.*	
	is the city where		



a country's	To know that countries near the	
government is	Equator have less seasonal change	
located.	than those near the poles.	
	Finding the position of the Equator	
	and describing how this impacts our	
	environmental regions. Finding lines	
	of latitude and longitude on a globe	
	and explaining why these are	
	important. Identifying the position of	
	the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn	
	and their significance. Identifying the	
	position of the Northern and Southern	
	hemispheres and explaining how they	
	shape our seasons. Identifying the	
	position and significance of both the	
	Arctic and Antarctic Circle.	
	To know that the Equator is a line of	
	latitude indicating the hottest places	
	on Earth and splitting our globe into	
	the Northern and Southern	
	Hemispheres. To know lines of	
	longitude are invisible lines on the	
	globe that determine how far east or	
	west a location is from the Prime	
	Meridian. To know lines of latitude are	
	invisible lines on the globe that	
	determine how far north or south a	
	location is from the Equator. To know	
	the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn	
	are lines of latitude and mark the	
	equatorial region; the countries with	
	the hottest climates. To know the	
	Northern and Southern hemisphere	



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Place knowledge <mark>UK</mark>		Discussing Now	•	Naming some key	•	Describing and	•	Describing and beginning to explain similarities between two	•	Describing and explaining similarities between two
Wider world UK and wider world	e ii d t e t v f f c c f d d b p c p	environments in stories and mages are lifferent to he environment hey live in. To know that places within his country can differ rom each other. To know that here are lifferences petween places in this country and places in baces in paces in places in	•	similarities and differences between their local area and a small area of a contrasting non- European country. To know that life elsewhere in the world is often different to ours. To know that life elsewhere in the world often has	•	beginning to explain some key similarities between their local area and a small area of a contrasting non- European country. Describing and beginning to explain some key differences between their local area and a	• • • • •	regions studied. Describing and beginning to explain differences between two regions studied. Describing how and why humans have responded in different ways to their local environments. Discussing how climates have an impact on trade, land use and settlement. Explaining what measures humans have taken in order to adapt to survive in cold places. Describing and explaining how people who live in a contrasting physical area may have different lives to people in the UK. To know the negative effects of living near a volcano.	• • • • • •	 environmental regions studied. Describing and explaining differences between two environmental regions studied. Explaining how and why humans have responded in different ways to their local environments in two contrasting regions. Understanding how climates impact on trade, land use and settlement. Explaining how humans have used desert environments. Using maps to explore wider global trading routes. To know some similarities and differences between the UK and a European mountain region. To know why tourists visit mountain regions.





similarities to	a contrasting	 To know the negative effects an 	
ours.	non-	earthquake can have on a	
	European	community.	
	country.	To know ways in which	
•	Describing	communities respond to	
	what physical	earthquakes.	
	features may		
	occur in a hot		
	place in		
	comparison		
	to a cold		
	place.		
•	To know		
	some		
	similarities		
	and		
	differences		
	between		
	their local		
	area and a		
	contrasting		
	non European		
	country.		
•	To know that		
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	Pole is the		
	northernmost		
	point of the		
	Earth and the		
	South Pole is		
	the		
	southernmos		
	Journerminus		



						<mark>t point of the</mark>				
						<mark>Earth</mark>				
Human and	•	Observing	•	Describing	•	Locating	•	Mapping and labelling the seven	•	Describing and understanding the
Physical		weather		how the		some hot and		biomes on a world map.		key aspects of the six biomes.
Geography:		<mark>across the</mark>		weather		cold areas of	•	Understanding some of the causes	•	Describing and understanding the
weather vertice the second sec		<mark>seasons.</mark>		changes with		<mark>the world on</mark>		of climate change.		key aspects of the six climate
Other physical	•	Observing		<mark>each season</mark>		<mark>a world map.</mark>	•	Describing how physical features,		zones.
processes		and		<mark>in the UK.</mark>	•	Locating the		such as mountains and rivers are	•	Understanding some of the
Natural resources		discussing the	•	Describing		Equator and		formed, and why volcanoes and		impacts and causes of climate
<mark>Settlement</mark>		effect the		<mark>the daily</mark>		North and		earthquakes occur.		change.
Human and		<mark>changing</mark>		weather		<mark>South Poles</mark>	•	Describing where volcanoes,	•	Describing and understanding the
physical features		<mark>seasons have</mark>		<mark>patterns in</mark>		<mark>on a world</mark>		earthquakes and mountains are		key aspects and distribution of the
Human		<mark>on the world</mark>		their locality.		map.		located globally.		vegetation belts in relation to the
impact/economy		<mark>around them.</mark>	•	Confidently	•	Locating hot	•	Describing and explaining how		six biomes, climate and weather.
	•	Beginning to		using the		<mark>and cold</mark>		physical features such as rivers,	•	Giving examples of alternative
		<mark>use the</mark>		vocabulary		<mark>areas of the</mark>		mountains, volcanoes and		viewpoints and solutions
		names of the		<mark>'season' and</mark>		<mark>world in</mark>		earthquakes have had an impact		regarding an environmental issue
		<mark>seasons in</mark>		<mark>'weather'.</mark>		<mark>relation to</mark>		upon the surrounding landscape		and explaining its links to climate
		<mark>the correct</mark>	•	To know the		<mark>the Equator</mark>		and communities.		change.
		<mark>context.</mark>		<mark>four seasons</mark>		<mark>and the North</mark>	•	Describing how humans use water	•	To know vegetation belts are
	•	Making		<mark>of the UK.</mark>		<mark>and South</mark>		in a variety of ways.		areas of the world that are home
		<mark>observations</mark>	•	To know that		<mark>poles.</mark>	•	To know that the water cycle is		to similar plant species.*
		<mark>about the</mark>		<mark>'weather'</mark>	•	To know that		the processes and stores which	•	To name and describe some of the
		<mark>features of</mark>		<mark>refers to the</mark>		<mark>the Equator is</mark>		move water around our Earth and		world's vegetation belts.
		<mark>places (in</mark>		<mark>conditions</mark>		<mark>an imaginary</mark>		to be able to name these.	•	To know why the ocean is
		<mark>stories,</mark>		<mark>outside at a</mark>		<mark>line around</mark>	•	To know the courses and key		important.
		<mark>photographs</mark>		<mark>particular</mark>		<mark>the middle of</mark>		features of a river.	•	Describing and understanding
		<mark>or in the</mark>		<mark>time.</mark>		<mark>the Earth.</mark>	•	To know the different types of		economic activity including trade
		<mark>school</mark>	•	To know that	•	To know that,		mountains and volcanoes and		links.
		grounds/local		<mark>different</mark>		<mark>because it is</mark>		how they are formed.	•	Suggesting reasons why the global
		<mark>area).*</mark>		parts of the		<mark>the widest</mark>	•	To know that an earthquake is the		population has grown significantly
	•	Making		<mark>UK often</mark>		<mark>part of the</mark>		intense shaking of the ground.		in the last 70 years.
		<mark>observations</mark>		<mark>experience</mark>		<mark>Earth, the</mark>				



 about the characteristic s of places (in stories, photographs or in the school grounds/local area).* To know that the terms Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter are 	differentEquator isweather.much closerTo know thatto the suna weatherto the sunforecast isNorth andwhenSouth polessomeoneTo know thattries toTo know thatpredict whatPole is thethe weathernorthernmotwill be like inpoint of thethe nearEarth and thefuture.South Pole isTo know thattheweathersouth Pole is	 climate, landscape, vegetation and wildlife.* To know the world's biomes.* To know that the hottest biomes are found between the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn. To know that climate zones are areas of the world with similar climates.* To know the world's different climate zones.* To know that climates can influence the foods able to grow. 	 Describing the 'push' and 'pull' factors that people may consider when migrating. Understanding the distribution of natural resources both globally and within a specific region or country studied. Recognising geographical issues affecting people in different places and environments. Describing and explaining how humans can impact the environment both positively and negatively, using examples. To know the global population has
 Writer are used to describe the season. To know some of the key characteristic s of each season. To know that there are four seasons in a year marked by certain weather conditions. To know some 	 weather conditions can be measured and recorded. Recognising some physical features in their locality. To know that physical features on the Earth naturally. Describing Some human 	 Describing and understanding types of settlement and land use. Explaining why a settlement and community has grown in a particular location. Explaining why different locations have different human features. Explaining why people might prefer to live in an urban or rural place. Describing how humans can impact the environment both 	 To know the global population has grown significantly since the 1950s. To know which factors are considered before people build settlements. To know migration is the movement of people from one country to another. To know that natural resources can be used to make energy. To know some positive impacts of humans on the environment. To know some negative impacts of humans on the environment.



 describe different bodies of water, even if used inaccurately (sea/ocean, lake, river, pond)* To know some vocabulary to describe the characteristic s of different places, even if used inaccurately (hill, field, building, road, house, old). 	their locality.features of a coast using subjectTo know thatsubjecthumansubjectfeaturesspecificweans anyvocabulary.feature of an area that was made or builtTo know that coasts (and other physical features)by humans.To knowfeaturesTo knowsome key physical features of the UK.features of the Key 	 settlement.* To know water is used by humans in a variety of ways. To know an urban place is somewhere near a town or city. To know a rural place is somewhere near the countryside. To know that a natural resource is something that people can use which comes from the natural environment. To know the threats to the rainforest both on a local and global scale. To know that fair trading is the process of ensuring workers are paid a fair price, have safe working conditions and are treated with respect and equality. To know the UK grows food locally and imports food from other countries. 	
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			 To know that a sea is a body of water that is smaller than an ocean. To know that human features change over time. To know some key human features of the UK 		
Geographical	 Ask questions 	 Asking and 	 Recognising 	 Beginning to choose the best 	 Developing their own enquiry
skills and	about the	answering	<mark>there are</mark>	approach to answer an enquiry	questions.
fieldwork	<mark>world around</mark>	<mark>simple</mark>	<mark>different</mark>	question.	 Choosing the best approach to
Data collection	them.	<mark>questions</mark>	<mark>ways to</mark>	 Mapping land use in a small local 	answering an enquiry question.
<mark>Data</mark>	 Commenting 	<mark>about the</mark>	<mark>answer a</mark>	area using maps and plans.	 Making sketch maps of areas
presentation/co	<mark>on the</mark>	<mark>features of</mark>	question.	 Making a plan for how they wish 	studied including labels and keys
mmunication	<mark>features they</mark>	<mark>their school</mark>	 Discussing 	to collect data to answer an	where necessary.
	<mark>see in their</mark>	and school	<mark>the features</mark>	enquiry based question, with the	 Making an independent or
	school and	grounds.	they see in	support of a teacher.	collaborative plan of how they
	school	Drawing	the area	 Asking and answering one- step 	wish to collect data to answer an
	grounds.	some of the	surrounding	and two-step geographical	enquiry based question.
	 Answering 	features they	their school	questions.	 Selecting appropriate methods for
	simple	notice in their	when on a	 Observing, recording, and naming 	data collection.
	questions,	school and	walk.	geographical features in their local	Designing
	guided by the	school	 Asking and 	environments.	interviews/questionnaires to
	<mark>teacher.</mark>	grounds in	answering	 Using simple sampling techniques 	collect qualitative data.
		<mark>correct</mark>	<mark>simple</mark>	appropriately.	



 Creating 	<mark>relation to</mark>		questions	•	Making digital audio recordings	•	Beginning to use standard field
some of the	<mark>each other on</mark>		<mark>about human</mark>		for a specific purpose.		sampling techniques
features they	<mark>a sketch map.</mark>		and physical	•	Designing a questionnaire /		appropriately.
notice in their	 Using a 		<mark>features of</mark>		interviews to collect quantitative	•	Using GIS (Geographical
school and	<mark>simple</mark>		<mark>the area</mark>		fieldwork data.		Information Systems) to plot data
school	recording		<mark>surrounding</mark>	•	Taking digital photos and labelling		sets (e.g prevalence of crime in
<mark>grounds.</mark>	technique to		<mark>their school</mark>		or captioning them.		<mark>certain areas) onto base maps</mark>
 Expressing 	express their		<mark>grounds.</mark>	•	Making annotated sketches, field		which can then be analysed.
their likes and	feelings about	•	Collecting		drawings and freehand maps to	•	Using a simplified Likert Scale to
dislikes about	<mark>a specific</mark>		<mark>quantitative</mark>		record observations during		record their judgements of
a specific	place and		<mark>data through</mark>		fieldwork.		environmental quality.
place and its	explaining		<mark>a small</mark>	•	Beginning to use a simplified	•	Conducting
<mark>features,</mark>	why they		<mark>survey of the</mark>		Likert Scale to record their		interviews/questionnaires to
<mark>beginning to</mark>	<mark>like/dislike</mark>		<mark>local</mark>		judgements of environmental		collect qualitative data.
<mark>explain their</mark>	some of its		<mark>area/school</mark>		quality.		Interpreting and using real-
reasoning.	<mark>features.</mark>		<mark>to answer an</mark>	•	Using a questionnaire/interviews		time/live data.
 Drawing 			<mark>enquiry</mark>		to collect qualitative fieldwork	•	To identify and mitigate potential
<mark>some of the</mark>			<mark>question.</mark>		data.		risks during fieldwork.
features they		•	Classifying	•	Presenting data using plans,	•	Deciding how to present data
notice in their			the features		freehand sketch maps, annotated		using plans, freehand sketch
<mark>school</mark> and			they notice		drawings, graphs, presentations,		maps, annotated drawings,
<mark>school</mark>			<mark>into human</mark>		writing and digital technologies		graphs, presentations, writing at
<mark>grounds.</mark>			and physical		when communicating		length and digital technologies
•			with teacher		geographical information.		when communicating
			<mark>support.</mark>	•	Suggesting different ways that a		geographical information.
		•	Taking digital		locality could be changed and	•	Drawing conclusions about an
			<mark>photographs</mark>		improved.		enquiry using findings from
			of	•	Finding answers to geographical		fieldwork to support your
			<mark>geographical</mark>		questions through data collection.		reasonings.
			<mark>features in</mark>	•	Analysing and presenting	•	Evaluating evidence collected and
			the locality.		quantitative data in charts and		suggesting ways to improve this.
		•	Making		graphs.		
			<mark>digital audio</mark>				

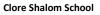


		recordings when interviewing someone. Presenting data in simple tally charts or pictograms and commenting on what the data shows. Asking and answering simple questions about data.	 Analysing quantitative data in pie charts, line graphs and graphs with two variables.
Geographical skills and fieldwork: mapwork	 Ask questions about the world around them. Commenting on the features they see in their school and school Answering simple questions, guided by the teacher. Using an atlas to locate the four countries. Beginning to use an atlas to locate the four capital cities of the UK. Using a map of the UK to locate the four Beginning to use an atlas to locate the four capital cities of the UK. 	 Recognising why maps need a title. Using an atlas to locate the four capital cities of the UK. Using a world map, globe Using a world nag, globe Using a world continents. Using a world map, globe Using a world continents. Beginning to use maps at more than one scale. Using atlases, maps, globes, satellite images and beginning to use digital mapping to locate countries studied. Using atlases, maps, globes and beginning to use digital mapping to recognise and describe physical features and human features in countries studied. Using the scale bar on a map to estimate distances. Finding countries and features of countries in an atlas using contents and index. 	 Confidently using and understanding maps at more than one scale. Using atlases, maps, globes and digital mapping to locate countries studied. Using atlases, maps, globes and digital mapping to describe and explain physical and human features in countries studied. Identifying, analysing and asking questions about distributions and relationships between features using maps (e.g settlement distribution).





Beginning to	instructions	•	Using a map		natural environment and public		references and the eight points of
use modelled	using	-	to follow a		transport and for security		a compass.
directional	directional		prepared		purposes.	•	To know that contours on a map
vocabulary	language to		route.	•	To know that an OS map shows	•	show height and slope.
when	follow routes.	•	Recognising	•	human and physical features as	•	To know that qualitative data
describing	 Beginning to 	•	landmarks of		symbols.	•	involves qualities, characteristics
features in	use the		a city studied	•	To know that grid references help		and is largely opinion based and
the	compass		on aerial	•	us locate a particular square on a		subjective.*
surrounding	points (N, S,		photographs				-
environment.	E, W) to				map. To know the eight points of a	•	To know that GIS is a digital
	describe the		and plan	•	To know the eight points of a		system that creates and manages
 Recognising features on 	location of		perspectives.		compass are north, south, east,		maps, used to support analysis for
	features on a	•	Recognising		west, north-east, south-east,		enquiries.
maps (real or			human		north-west, south-west.	•	To know that a pie chart can
imaginary).Draw real or	map.		features on	•	To know the main types of land		represent a fraction or percentage
	 Recognising local 		aerial		use (agricultural, residential,		of a whole set of data.
imaginary	landmarks on		photographs		recreational, commercial,	•	To know a line graph can
maps even if features are	aerial		and plan		industrial and transportation)		represent variables over time.
		_	perspectives.	•	To know an enquiry-based	•	To be aware of some issues in the
indistinguisha	photographs .	•	Recognising		question has an open-ended		local area.
ble.	Recognising basic human		physical		answer found by research.	•	To know what a range of data
• To know that			features on	•	To know how to use various		collection methods look like.
a map is a	features on aerial		aerial		simple sampling techniques.	•	To know how to use a range of
picture of a			photographs	•	To know what a questionnaire and		data collection methods.
place.	photographs.		and plan		an interview are.		
To know some	Recognising		perspectives.	•	To know that quantitative data		
vocabulary to	basic physical features on	•	Drawing a		involves numerical facts and		
describe			map and		figures and is often objective.		
directions, even if	aerial		using class	•	To know that an annotated		
used inaccurately	photographs.		agreed		drawing or sketch map is hand		
(e.g near, far,	Drawing		symbols to		drawn and gives a rough idea of		
next to, close,	freehand		make a		features of an area without having		
behind).	maps (of real		simple key.		to be completely accurate.		
	or imaginary						







 about the world and a globe is a spherical model of the information about a place. To know that 	e
 a map is a world maps picture of a place, usually drawn from above. world maps as a flattene globe. To know that a compass is 	ed at
 To know that symbols are often used on maps to represent features. To know that instrument we can use t find which direction is north. 	
 To know simple directional language (e.g near, far, up, down, left, right, forwards, To know which direction is I S, E, W on a map. To know which direction is I S, E, W on a map. 	at
 backwards). To know what a sketch map is. to know that maps need a key to expla what the symbols and 	a ain

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To know that
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To know that
a pictogram is
a chart that
uses pictures
to show data.