

Vocabulary Progression: Geography

The following represents the core vocabulary introduced in each year group but is not an exhaustive list and subject specific vocabulary will be introduced in-line with subject areas. A full list of subject specific vocabulary and definitions can be found within medium term planning.

a large town city

a building where humans live house

globe the earth

a drawing of a place map

a built-up area town

the vehicles used to move things from one place to another transport

a group of houses and buildings village

The following vocabulary is introduced in Year 1

a pebble or sandy shaw beach capital city the main city in a country

climate the average type of weather of a place over 30 years

an area by the sea coastal

used to show directions compass a place with its own government country

an empty landscape with little rain desert

everything which is around us environment

forest an area with many trees

high tide when the tide is at it's highest

human activity things that people do

landscape everything you can see across an area

low tide when the tide is at it's lowest a huge body of salt water ocean abroad / a different country overseas

areas which are not towns or cities rural

used for measuring temperature thermometer weather whether it is hot, cold, windy, sunny, snowy etc. The following vocabulary is introduced in Year 2 the second largest ocean **Atlantic Ocean** a large region of earth which has a similar climate biome where the land meets the sea coast a large solid area of land continent countryside an open area away from the town a line which divides the world into the Northern and Southern Hemisphere equator fieldwork doing research in an open area human man-made an area of land surrounded by the sea island the area around where people live or work local **Northern Hemisphere** the area of land North of the equator natural physical a place where people live settlement **Southern Hemisphere** the area of land South of the equator the weather is not too hot or cold all year round **Temperate climate** a range or area where everyone follows a specific time Time zone parts of the Earth with extremely cold weather conditions such as the North and South poles **Tropical climate** The following vocabulary is introduced in Year 3 & 4 a photograph which is taken from above aerial photograph a book of maps and charts atlases birds eye view a view from above - as if the photographer or artist was a bird how something is spread out distribution the countries which make up Europe European the surrounding area of land landscape map index a part of a map which tell you what the symbol represents ordnance survey the mapping agency of Great Britain an area of land almost completely surrounded by water peninsula an area where people choose to live settlement an area organised by a government state

a picture or icon which represents something

a geographical area belonging to a state or government

an imaginary line around the earth, north of the equator

an imaginary line around the Earth, south of the equator

symbol

territory

Tropic of Cancer
Tropic of Capricorn

Polar climate

	very cold all year and covers the tops of mountains, the northern extremes of North America
Tour due aliments	
Tundra climate	and Asia, and the southern coast of Greenland.
Mediterranean Climate	regions of the Earth with mild winters and hot, dry summers, and includes the land surrounding
	the Mediterranean weather is hot all year round
The following vocabulary is introduced in Year 5 & 6	
AONB	Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
cultural heritage	objects, customs or traditions which are passed time over time
destination	an area or place where people choose to visit
economical	to do with money
GMT	the solar time counted from the Royal Observatory in London
grid reference	when a map is divided up into areas – the coordinates which identify the location
heritage	something passed down from generations
honeypot	a place popular with tourists
National Park	an area of Great Britain preserved by law
Northern Hemisphere	the part of the world to the North of the equator
regional	within the region or area of
remote	something which is far away from other things
scale	the relationship between the distance on a map and the distance on the ground
Southern Hemisphere	the part of the world to the south of the equator
tourist	a person who is travelling or visiting a place for pleasure
World Heritage Site	a natural or man-made site, area, or structure recognised as being of outstanding international
-	importance