## Villiers Primary School Geography Skills Progression

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
		Locational	Knowledge		
Name and locate local town on a map of the UK.  Investigate their surroundings  Identify the four countries making up the United Kingdom.  Point out the north pole and south pole are on a globe or atlas.  Make simple comparisons between features of different places.	Build on KS1 knowledge — Describe where countries are in relation to the North and South pole.  Name, locate and identify the four countries of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas.  Identify the capital cities of these places. Identify the characteristics of the countries and capital cities.  Name the continents of the world and find them in an atlas/on a map or globe.			Locate the world's countries, using maps focussing on North or South America concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries and other major cities.  Locate and name principal cities.  Identify the position and significance of latitude/longitude and the Greenwich Meridian. Linking with science, time zones, night and day.  Linking with local History, map how land	Locate the world's countries, using maps focussing on North or South America concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries and other major cities.  name and locate counties and cities of the United Kingdom, geographical regions and their identifying human and physical characteristics, key topographical features (including hills, mountains, coasts and rivers)
	them in an atlas/on a			, ,	Tiveis

	Point out where the equator is.  Discuss which places are hot and cold based on their position near the equator.  Know where Africa is in comparison to the equator.	the present, focusing on land use.		Name and locate the key topographical features including coast, features of erosion, hills, mountains and rivers.  Understand how these features have changed over time.	
		Place Kr	rowledge		
Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the United Kingdom.	Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area in a contrasting non-European country.	Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a region of the UK.  Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a region in a European country — Rome, Italy.	Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a region of the UK, how these are interdependent and how they bring about spatial variation and change over time.	Compare a region in UK with a region in N. or S. America with significant differences and similarities.	

Human and physical geography						
Identify seasonal/daily	Identify the location of	Describe and understand	Describe and understand	Describe and understand	Describe and understand	
weather patterns in the	hot and cold areas of the	key aspects of physical	key aspects of physical	key aspects of physical	key aspects of physical	
UK and the location of	world in relation to the	geography including key	geography including	geography, including:	geography including	
hot and cold areas of the	equator and the North	topographical features	coasts and rivers.	climate zones, biomes and	Volcanoes.	
world in relation to the	and South poles.	(inc hills, mountains,	Label the parts of a	vegetation belts, link to	Explain plate tectonics.	
equator and the North	'	coasts, rivers) and land	river.	work on Rainforest.	Identify the ring of fire.	
and South poles.	Use basic Geographical	patterns.	Explain how a river is	Explain what a climate	Talk about some of the	
'	vocabulary to refer to key	'	formed.	zone is.	world's most famous	
Use basic Geographical	physical features (inc –	Understand how some	Explain how rivers	Explain how and why	volcanoes.	
vocabulary to refer to	beach, cliff, coast, forest,	physical aspects have	change over time.	climates vary around the world.	Describe how	
physical and human	hill, mountain, sea,	changed over time.	Explain why many cities	Compare the	volcanoes are	
features of their school	ocean, river, soil, valley,		of the world are situated	geographical similarities	created.	
and its grounds and of	vegetation, season,	List and describe types	by rivers and why people	and differences of	Describe how volcanoes	
the surrounding	weather) and human	of settlements in	are attracted to live by	different growing climates around the world.	have an impact on	
environment.	features (inc city, town,	modern Britain: villages,	them.	Explain a biome is.	people's lives.	
	village, factory, farm,	towns, cities.	Explain why water is such	Explain what a vegetation		
Use geographical	house, office, port,	Describe the main	a valuable commodity.	belt is.		
language to describe	harbour, shop) including	human features of a		Give extended descriptions of the		
places on a world map	with a contrasting Non-	well-known city.	Types of settlements in	similarities and	Describe and understand	
(desert, sea, jungle)	European country -	Describe the main	Viking, Saxon Britain	differences between	key aspects of physical	
	Kenya.	features of a town.	linked to History.	biomes across the world.	geography including	
Explain the main				Give extended	earthquakes.	
features of a hot and	Identify the	Explain why people are	Describe the difference	descriptions of the physical features of two	Talk about some of the	
cold place.	characteristics of	attracted to live in	between early	places around the world	world's most famous	
	England, Scotland,	cities/towns.	settlements and towns	including in South	earthquakes.	
Find some hot and cold	Wales and Ireland e.g.	Explain why people	today.	America.	Describe how	
places on a map.	mountains.	may choose to live in a	-	Identify, describe and	earthquakes are	
		village rather than a	Describe why certain	explain the formation of different mountain types.	created.	
Explain how the	Begin to describe the	city.	areas appealed to	Talk about some of the	Describe how	
weather changes with	differences between the		settlers e.g. located by	world's most famous	earthquakes have an	
each season.	UK and a non-European	Explain where and how	a river.	mountains.	impact on people's lives.	
	country - Kenya	crops are grown and how				

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Begin to explain why they would wear different clothes at different times of the year.  Explain what they might wear if they lived in a very hot or a very cold place.  Name key features associated with their local area e.g. 'church, shop, and house'.  Identify physical and human features on simple picture maps.	Describe a place outside Europe using geographical words e.g. 'season, weather'.  Name key human features associated with a town or city e.g. 'factory, farm and office.  Label images using physical geographical language.  Describe some human features of Kenya, such as key places people visit e.g. Safari.		Describe and understand key aspects of physical geography, the water cycle.  Ils and Fieldwork	Build on Yr4 knowledge of different types of settlements —explain what a place might be like in the future, taking account of issues impacting on human features.	Distribution of natural resources. Explain what trading is. Explain the difference between imports and exports. List some goods exported from the UK. List some goods imported to the UK. Name some countries the UK exports goods to. Name some countries the UK imports goods from. Explain what fair trading is. List some products that are fairly traded. Do they understand the impact that large companies have on the lives of their workers (Fairtrade)? Describe how goods can be the product of more than one country. Describe how trade takes place today. Describe how trade took place in Stone Age and Tudor times.
Teacher led enquiries, to ask and respond to simple closed questions.	Children encouraged to ask simple geographical	Begin to ask/initiate geographical questions.	Ask and respond to questions and offer their own ideas.	Begin to suggest questions for investigating.	Suggest questions for investigating

books/pictures as sources of information. Investigate their surroundings Make observations about where things are e.g. within school or local area Follow directions (Up, down, left/right, forwards/backwards) Draw picture maps of imaginary places and from stories. Use own sumbols on imaginary map. Begin to draw simple picture maps. Use a simple picture map to move around the school. Use relative vocabulary (e.g. bigger/smaller, like/dislike) Draw around objects to make a plan. Use picture maps, atlases and globes. Make observations about where things are e.g. within school

or local area.

Use information

questions; Where is it? What's it like? Use stories, maps, pictures/photos and internet as sources of information. Make simple comparisons between features of different places. Follow directions (as yr 1 and include North. East. South and West. Draw a map of a real or imaginary place. (e.g. add detail to a sketch map from aerial photograph) Begin to understand the need for a key. Use class agreed symbols to make a simple key. Use aerial photographs and plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic human and phusical features Use an infant atlas to locate places.

Use books, stories, atlases, pictures/photos and internet as sources of information. Begin to collect and record evidence. Analyse evidence and begin to draw conclusions e.q. make comparisons between two locations using photos/ pictures, temperatures in different locations. Use 4 compass points to follow/give directions:

use letter/no. co-ordinates to locate features on a map.

Try to make a map of a short route experienced, with features in correct order

Try to make a simple

scale drawing. Know why a key is needed. Use standard symbols. Locate places on larger

scale maps e.g. map of Europe.

Extend to satellite images, aerial photographs. Collect and record evidence with some aid. Analuse evidence and draw conclusions e.g. make comparisons between locations photos/pictures/ maps Use 4 compass points well: begin to use 8 compass points. Use letter/no. coordinates to locate features on a map confidently. Make a simple scale drawing. Know why a key is needed. Begin to recognise symbols on an OS map.

Draw a sketch map.

Begin to use primary and secondary sources of evidence in their investigations. Collect and record evidence unaided. Analyse evidence and draw conclusions e.g. compare historical maps of varying scales e.g. temperature of various locations - influence on people/everyday life Use 8 compass points; Begin to use 4 figure coordinates to locate features on a map. Begin to draw a variety of thematic maps based on their own data. Use/recognise OS map sumbols. Compare maps with aerial photographs. Select a map for a specific purpose. (E.g. Pick atlas show a country in South America) Begin to use atlases to find out about other features of places. (e.g. find wettest part of the world)

Use primary and secondary sources of evidence in their investigations. Collect and record evidence unaided. Analyse evidence and draw conclusions e.g. from field work data on land use comparing land use/temperature, look at patterns and explain reasons behind it Use 8 compass points confidently and accuratelu. Use 4 figure co-ordinates confidently to locate features on a map. Use 6 figure grid refs; Use latitude and longitude on atlas maps. Draw a variety of thematic maps. Begin to draw plans of increasing complexity. Use/recognise OS map sumbols. Use atlas symbols. Describe features shown on OS map. Locate places on a world map. Use atlases to find out about other features of

	Make a map of a short	places. (e.g. mountain
	route, with features in	regions, weather patterns)
	correct order.	Use maps to describe
	Follow a route on a map	how geographical
	with some accuracy. (e.g.	features have changed
	whilst orienteering)	over time.