

# **Geography Curriculum Knowledge Map**



## Year 7

# Geographical and Map skills

- -Continent
- -Country
- Capital City
- -Oceans
- -Location
- -Compass directions
- Environment
- Cartographic

- Understanding the concept of 'C.L.O.C.K' for locality of countries
- Applying their knowledge on the 'continents and oceans' with key facts
- Capital Cities and Flags
- Importance of compass directions for spatial awareness (e.g north, east, south, west)
- Understanding map skills (e.g title, key, map symbols, scale, relief, grid references)
- Practicing scale and creating different types of scale.
- Application of map skills in the creation of their own map (e.g Treasure Island)
- Longitude and Latitude understanding
- Understanding the importance of an atlas, including the retention of key skills needed to utilise it
- OS map understanding, creation and assessment.
- Winter festivals
- Summer festivals
- Asia importance (international importance)
- Africa importance (international importance)

### The British Isles

- -Sovereign State
- -Population
- -Distribution
- -Density
- -Sparsity
- -Economy
- -Ecosystem
- -Transect
- -Climate
- -Ethnicity
- -Diversity

- Understanding the difference between the British Isles, Great Britain and the UK
  - Understanding a 'sovereign state'
  - Applying map skills to create their own map of the British isles with key features (e.g rivers, mountains, national parks, capital cities)
  - Climate in the British Isles, including temperature and rainfall (e.g relief rainfall)
  - Interpreting, analysing and creating climate graphs, including comparison between Dubai and London.
  - Analysing the 'transect' of 'John O Groats', looking at the economic/social importance of each city
  - Understanding the importance of 'national parks', their ecosystems and tourism impacts
  - Analysing the 'population' of the British Isles, looking at density, sparsity, urban and rural areas (e.g satellite maps).
  - Understanding the economic structure in the British Isles, including primary, secondary, tertiary and quaternary industries)
  - Analysing the 'north and south' divide in the UK, linking to the economic structure.
  - Brownfield and greenfield sites, in relation to regeneration in the British Isles
- Multiculturalism in the UK, celebrating history (cross-curricular links)
- Ecosystems in the UK, including deciduous forests in the UK
- Attempting to critically analyse data through 'microclimate' fieldwork, offering evaluation and iustification.

# **Africa**

- -Religion
- -Language
- -Tourism
- -Ecosystem
- -Culture
- -Ethnicity -Nationality

- Mapping the African country, including locality of countries (N/E/S/W)
- To understand the languages spoken in Africa, climate, customs, religions, foods, and landforms across the continent.
- To appreciate physical landmarks in the African continent, including rivers, mountains, volcanoes and waterfalls
- Case Studies: Victoria Falls, The River Nile, Mount Kilimanjaro
- To create a letter to UNESCO about natural conservation, encouraging them to identify threats to the natural geography of Africa.
- To identify and differentiate between Africa's richest ecosystems, including deserts, tropical rainforests and savannahs (Climate, Latitude, Characteristics)
- Case Study: Savannah in Africa, including adaptations such as the elephant, giraffe, cheetah. Lion
- Tourism in Kenya, evaluating the benefits and costs
- Comparing tourism in Kenya to the British Isles.
- Case Study: Masai Mara tribe. Evaluating threat to their culture.
- Case Study: To investigate reduction in the development gap in Nigeria (social, economic and environmental reasons)

# Rivers

- -Long profile
- -Cross profile
- Erosion - Deposition
- Velocity
- Discharge
- To distinguish the differences hard and soft engineering strategies for river flooding. - Engineering - Flooding
- To understand a river drainage basin, along with the links between the water cycle.
  - To understand the downstream changes of a river's long-profile and cross profile
  - To explain how processes (erosion, deposition, transportation) influence the changing shape of a
  - To describe and explain upper course formations such as interlocking spurs, waterfalls and gorges
  - To describe and explain middle course formations such as meanders and oxbow lakes
  - To describe and explain lower course formations such as floodplains and levees
  - Human and natural causes of flooding.
  - To evaluate and justify the advantages and disadvantages of hard and soft engineering strategies to reduce flooding risk of a river, using a case study (Jubilee River)



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# Year 8

## **Development**

- Uneven development
- Foreign Investment

Climate Change

- Wealth
- Poverty
- Migration

- Global Warming
- Mitigation
- Adaptation
- Atmosphere
- Greenhouses gases
- Pollution
- Sustainability
- Small-Scale vs Large Scale
- Renewable energy
- Infinite vs finite

- To understand the development indicators that a country's development, including GNI
- To assess whether the HDI scale (Human Development Index) is a good measure of development
- To evaluate the causes of uneven development, including war, natural disasters, money and social indicators (healthcare and education)
- Case Study: Ghana (assessing the causes of uneven development)
- Case Study: Democratic Republic of Congo (Consequences of uneven development, including wealth, health and migration disparities)
- To evaluate the strategies to reduce uneven development, including 'Fair Trade' and aid.
- Blood diamond- how can diamonds be a curse or reward? (Case Study: Sierra Leone)
- Case Study in Rio De Janeiro (Urban Issues) How foreign investment has reduced the development gap.
- To understand the evidence of global warming, including temperature levels for judgement
- To understand how the earth stays warm, including the 'Greenhouse Gas Effect.'
- To evaluate the natural causes of climate change, including orbital theories, sunspot activity and volcanic eruptions.
- To evaluate the human causes of climate change, including deforestation, agriculture and fossil
- To understand the direct effects of climate change, including the sea levels rising in the Maldives.
- Case Study: Climate Refugees in Bangladesh.
- To evaluate the strategies for mitigation in reducing the impact of climate change, including international agreements, afforestation, carbon capture and renewable energy.
- To evaluate strategies on adaptation for climate change, including desalination and management
- To investigate COP26 and its purpose.
- To investigate pollution in London, including strategies to reduce the impacts (e.g supercycle
- Recycling measures, including reduce, reuse and reduce
- Social Action: BEDZED community as a sustainable urban living environment
- Future of Climate change.
- To investigate how big corporations are becoming more sustainable.

### **Coasts**

- Frosion
- Deposition
- Transportation
- Waves
- Fetch
- Longshore Drift
- Landforms
- Hard vs Soft engineering
- Tourism

- To understand how erosional, depositional and transportational processes shape the coastline.
- To learn about mini fieldwork skills when applying knowledge of the Jurassic Coastline. To describe and explain the difference between constructive and destructive waves
- To understand how fetch, time and speed can influence the power of waves
- To understand longshore drift and how this creates depositional landforms.
- To understand how erosional landforms shape the coastline, including Old Harry's rock.
- To understand the impact of coastal recession from coastal processes
- To understand how tourism impacts the Jurassic Coastline, including physical landmarks and EQS
- To evaluate coastal management strategies at reducing coastal erosion, including the UK
- Case Study: Holderness Coastline (Effects of coastal recession, impacts of engineering strategies, including social, economic and environmental aspects).

# Migration and Population

(anti-racism unit)

- Push and Pull factors
- Natural increase
- Population
- Climate
- Migrant **Immigration**
- Economic

- To understand the evidence of global warming, including temperature levels for judgement
- To understand the difference between the types of migrants, including climate and economic
- To understand the differences between push and pull factors and how this shapes a population
- To understand natural increase, and how this influences a healthy population.
- Cross curricular links with 'Windrush Generation' and 'Transatlantic Slave Trade' topics
- To understand the history of African and Caribbean migration into London and parts of the UK, including exercises on timelines, choropleth maps and line graphs.
- To understand how colonialism and landlocked countries have impacted development within Africa, including skills on gapminder.
- To learn about population pyramids and how this aims to demonstrate age/sex/development within a country, including possible links with the 'Demographic Transition Model.'

# Crime in the UK

- Education
- Authority
- Mental health
- Deprivation
- Urban
- **Poverty**
- Analysis

- To define the term crime and consider the different forms it takes.
- To describe how types of crime may differ between different locations
- To describe the social, economic, environmental and political influences on crime
- To explain the influences on crime
- To assess how the environment can be altered to reduce crime
- To define 'urban deprivation'
- To explain how urban deprivation can lead to a cycle of poverty, using a case study (e.g Liverpool)
- To examine a strategy which can reduce urban deprivation
- To plot a bar chart displaying crime data, using crime statistics in Stratford in comparison to the
- To describe and explain data, learning skills in making valid conclusions
- To evaluate strategies that would have helped catch Jack the Ripper? (cross-curricular link)
- To investigate and challenge misconceptions about crimes and ethnicity in the UK (controversial



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# Year 9

# Wildfires/Climate Change

- The 'theory' of Climate change
- The synopticity (interconnected) between Distribution and Density
- Management
- Relief

- Understanding the concept of wildfires (cross-curricular links)
- Distribution of wildfires (T.E.A)
- Climate change synopticity with wildfires, along with case studies on 'Greece' and 'USA.'
- To investigate the 'worst' wildfire in history,. For example, Australia.
- To investigate the short term and long-term relief strategies immediately after a wildfire.
- Evaluation on 'Direct and indirect' management strategies to combat wildfires and their responsibilities
- Decision making on preventative measures to wildfires- Yosemite National Park (USA)
- To investigate responsibility of wildfires, including hikers, tourists, government and scientists.
- To predict the future of wildfires
- Deforestation and wildfires

#### Ecosystems/Oceans

- To understand 'Adaptation'
- Biodiversity
- Biotic/Abiotic components
- Biome/Large-scale ecosystem
- Gulf Stream

- Understanding on the science of 'ecosystems'
- Adaptations of 'large-scale ecosystem' ecosystems and their disruption from human
- Importance of the ocean, including the 5 main layers and ocean currents (e.g Gulf Stream)
- Investigation into the importance of coral reefs and their adaptations (e.g cuttlefish)
- Human Uses of the ocean (Case study: Bajau People)
- Human impacts of the ocean (e.g plastic pollution) and management strategies to reduce the impact (mitigation)
- Antarctic Ice vs Arctic Ice (Evaluation on sea levels rising)
- Trade importance for non-landlocked countries
- Case Study: 'Timor Leste' mitigation strategies

# Tropical Rainforest Issue evaluation

- Interdependence
- Deforestation
- Social, economic and environmental
- The concept of tropical rainforests and the interdependence
- Adaptations of the tropical rainforest, including plants and animals.
- The concept of 'deforestation' and their impacts (social, economic, environmental)
- Strategies to protect the tropical rainforest (mitigation)
- Value of the rainforest and its link to climate
- Case Study: 'Peruvian' Rainforest, including C.L.O.C.K and facts about deforestation
- Interdependence of rainforests

## **Tectonics**

- Convection Currents
- Plate boundaries
- Continental Drift
- Structure of the earth
- The 'theory' of continental drift and convection currents
- Distribution of tectonic activity
- Plate boundary movement, including the main main types (destructive, conservative, constructive)
- Shield and Composite volcanoes/Earthquakes/Seismic wave activity
- Hotspot activity in Hawaii
- To investigation why people live near volcanoes, including Iceland.
- Fold Mountains (e.g Mount Everest) and collision plate margins
- Case Studies: 'Yellowstone National Park Eruption', 'Montserrat Eruption', 'Japan's Tsunami', as well as comparative lessons on Haiti (LIC) and New Zealand (HIC)

# Weather Hazards, including Tropical storms

- Eye of the storm
- Evaporation
- Condensation
- Pressure zones
- Global atmospheric Circulation

- The 'concept' of tropical storms and its science (cross-curricular link)
- Distribution of Tropical Storms (T.E.A)
- Structure, Characteristics and Formation of a tropical storm
- Global atmospheric circulation and location
- Coriolis effect
- Case Study: 'Typhoon Haiyan (LIC)', 'Hurricane Katrina (HIC)'- Evaluating the responses to the storm (HIC VS LIC)
- 3 PPPs of Tropical Storms (Prediction, Protection, Planning), e.g Bangladesh
- UK weather Hazards, including drought, heatwaves and flooding
- Hosepipe ban in the UK
- Drought in the Sahel, including causes and strategies to combat climate change.

# Globalisation

- Containerisation
- Transnational corporation
- Fairtrade
- Digital Divide
- Development
- Economy
- Tourism

- The theory of 'Globalisation, including 'time-space convergence'
  - The 'idea' of containerisation and advanced technology
- To investigate Transnational corporations (Case Studies: Nike, Primark, BT, Coca Cola)
- How manufacturing industries increases the economy
- To be able to refine decision making skills in the 'trading game' and 'factory location'
- The purpose of Fairtrade to reduce the development gap
- The research into the 'digital divide' of countries (HIC vs LIC)
- The 'American Dream' and how globalisation spurred the USA to become a popular city for migration (Case Study: Detroit)
- Diseases and Globalisation (Case Study: COVID-19, Malaria, HIV)
- Globalisation and Sport (Case Studies: RIO and TOKYO olympics/Stratford regeneration)
- Globalisation and Tourism (Case Study: Portugal)
- Globalisation and Trade (e.g China and the UK)