



Vocabulary Progression 2025-2026

Subject: Geography



	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 1	Can you plan a route around school for a visitor? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Aerial view• Bird's eye view• Co-ordinate• Distance• Map• North, South, East, West• Route• Symbol		What is the UK? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Country• United Kingdom• Aerial view• Aerial photographs• Landmarks• Human features• Physical features• Weather patterns• Seasonal		How do the seasons change in the UK? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• weather• season• hot• cold• cool• warm• temperature• wet• dry• rain• snow• hail• frost• drizzle• fog• thunderstorm	
Year 2	What would we see as we go around the world? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coast• Equator• Land• Ocean• Sea		Can you describe how life is different in Egypt? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Beach• Cliff• Factory• Forest• Harbour• Hill• Mountain• Office• Pollution• Port• Soil• Vegetation		What is the weather like around the world? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• north pole• south pole• climate• temperate• polar• tropical• blizzard• gale• heat wave	
Year 3	What are the similarities and differences between the Rivers Severn and the River Indus? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Condensation• Current• Dam• Delta• Erosion• Estuary• Evaporation• Farming• Floodplain• Flow• Gases• Meander• Mountain• Mouth		How are settlements similar and different? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adapt• Airport• Boroughs• Cathedral• Church• Coastal town• Conurbation• Facilities• Farmstead• Hamlet• Inhabitants• Large hospitals• Market town• Post office• Primary school		How do volcanoes affect a place? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Active• After Shock• Amplitude• Ash Cloud• Core• Crater• Crust• Dormant• Epicentre• Eruption• Extinct• Faults• Hot spots• Landslides• Magma	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reservoir• Run-off• Source• Stream• Transpiration• Tributary• Water Vapour <p>How do mountains interact with what is around them?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Above sea level• Hill• Mountain Range• Mountainous Regions• Pass• Peak• Range• Slopes• Summit• Temperature• Terraced Farming• Terraces• Tourism• Valleys	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pub• Railway station• Rural• Secondary school• Sprawling• Tube• Underground• University• Urban settlement• Urban sprawl• Village green• Village hall <p>How are we connected to farmers?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Agriculture• Arable farming• Dairy farmers• Fertilisers• Forests• Graze• Growing season• Hedges• Local vegetarian• Marshlands• Mixed farming• Organic food• Pastoral farming• Pesticides• Plough• Seasonal food• Shorn• Vegan• Yields	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Magnitude• Mantle• Plate• Plate tectonics• Richter Scale• Ring of fire• Seismic Waves• Seismology• Tectonic activity• Velocity• Vent• Volcanic Ash <p>How does the climate affect the way people live?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Arctic Ocean• Atlantic Ocean• Biomes• Ecosystem• Global Warming• Gulf• Landlocked• Mediterranean Sea• Mild• Polar• Rainforest• Regions• Savanna• Tropical• Tundra
Year 4	<p>How do humans use the Rhine and the Mediterranean?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alps• bank• banks• canal• Cologne• drained• enclosed• exporting• flood walls• flooding• harness• importing• lock• Lower Rhine confluence• mainland• North Sea• peninsula• port• rainfall• Red Sea• Rhine• sea	<p>How does the location of west Wales affect its coast?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• arch• bay• Cardigan Bay• cave• cliffs• coastline• coral reefs• deposit• depositing• deposition• Erosion• fossils• groynes• habitat• headland• Jurassic Coast• landforms• preserved• rock pools• sand dunes• shingle• stack	<p>What are the pros and cons of living near a tectonic fault line?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• absorb• aftershocks• devastate• drill• earthquake• environment• epicentre• fault line• focus• friction• immediate effects• landslide• liquid mud• long -term effects• magnitude• plate boundary• prone• Richter scale• rubber• rubble• San Andreas fault• seismic waves

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• strait• Suez Canal• the med• Upper Rhine• waterway• wetlands <p>How do populations differ from place to place?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• British identity• census• Cymraeg• densely populated• density• diverse• Eisteddfod• ethnic• ethnically diverse• ethnicity• floral• high population density• low population density• migration• minted• population• population• population distribution• rural• rural to urban migration• sparsely populated• urban• Wales• Welsh	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• teeming• transport• transportation• Waves <p>How do tourists interact with a place?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• accommodation• activity• advantage• air pollution• airlines• airports• apartments• coral reef• cultural income• deckchair• destination• disadvantages• economy• ecotourism• environment• guest houses• hotels• Llandudno• mainland• Matterhorn• maximum• minimum• package holidays• paddle• pier amusements• promenade• Punch and Judy• sandcastle• seaside• seaside towns• services• ski-lift• skis• ski-slope• souvenirs• sunshine holiday• sustainability• sustainable• tourism• tourist industry• tourists• travel agencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• seismogram• seismograph• seven major plates• subsidence• tectonic plates• tidal wave• Trembling• tremors• tsunami• visible <p>Why are deserts located where they are?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Antarctica• arid• blubber• cacti• cactus• camels• chameleon• dehydrated• desert• desertification• desolate• divert• drought• exceeds• exposes• extinct• fauna• feature• flora• Great Steppe• herd• hostile• hydrated• lichen• lush• meerkat• modern• nocturnal• non-productive• nutrients• oases• oasis• obtain• overfarming• overgrazing• Patagonia• penguins• physical• Plummet• polar bears• portable• prevent• productive• rain• Sahara Desert• Sahel
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Year 5	<p>How have the actions of people affected the drought in California?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• precipitation• treated• California• Drought• almonds• factors• rainfall• water supply• Aqueduct <p>How can oceans affect human behaviour and settlements?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Atlantic Ocean• World Ocean• the Atlantic• Pacific Ocean• north pole• south pole• nearly enclosed• salinity• transported• trade• maritime trade• manufactured goods• quantities• freight• maritime shipping routes• ocean currents• warm currents• cold currents• gyres• phytoplankton• Atlantic coast• oceanic• earthquakes• tsunami• Caribbean• hurricanes• wind stream• regulates• fossil fuels• Aral Sea• drift-net fishing	<p>Why do people migrate?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• populated• descended• migrants• inlet• Mourne Mountains• Newry• Remote• enquiry• internal migration• international migration• border controls• pull factors• push factors• voluntary commute• involuntary• forced• abandon• enquiries• check in• passport control• adjust• self-reliant• emigrated• immigrant• engulfing• temporary• United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR)• displaced• permanent• flee• persecution• refugees• official• officially• asylum-seekers• mechanisation• expansion• demand• Fens• family tree• depopulation• identity	<p>In what ways does the geography of South America affect life in the Amazon?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• situated• basin• piranha• ecosystem• interact• canopy• orchids• emergents• drenched• humid• habitat• buttress• camouflage• predators• Anteater• termite• food chain• micro-organisms• interactions• nutrients• nutrient cycle• decomposition• compost• decomposers• carbon cycle• companies• deforestation• ranching• deforested• conflict• power• Yanomami <p>How does agriculture in the Amazon interact with other parts of the world?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ayore• garabatá• dye• clearing• mass• produce

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">marine life	<ul style="list-style-type: none">scaleneighbourhooddual nationalitybelonging <p>What are the pros and cons of living in a megacity?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">North AmericaSouth AmericaCentral AmericacombinedpopulationCanadanortherlyBrazilmegacityNew York CitynaturaldisastersLimaSustainSão PauloTropic of CapricornRio de JaneiroChrist the Redeemerpopulousthe Americasmakeshiftfavelasgridlocateeastingsnorthingsfour-figure grid referencefavelaoutskirtsSewersstereotypesportrayedfavelado	<ul style="list-style-type: none">productssubsistencecommercialscaleprofitwholesalersprimaryraw materialssecondarymanufacturingtertiaryinterconnecteddemandsupplyadequatecattlerecentcolonisedtrans-nationalcompaniesbrandsflowdiagramsglobalisationgeographicalenquiryanalysefindingsinterconnectionquestionnaire
Year 6	<p>How do local actions in the UK affect global climate?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">solar panelsgenerate energymix emissionsnet zerosolar powerrenewablenon-renewabletidal powerwave powergeothermal powerbiofuelpotentialknotprevailinggrind	<p>How much did Birmingham change between 1750 and the present day?</p> <p>TBC</p> <p>What is a preferable future for Jamaica’s tourist industry?</p> <p>TBC</p>	TBC

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• national grid• electricity• pylons• offshore• onshore• wind farm• planning permission• controversial• visual pollution• opinion• priorities• justify• controversy• reasoned• reactor• access• uranium• atomic• byproduct• reactors• radioactivity• High Court• methane• Paris Agreement• implement• meltwater• acidification• tornadoes• vulnerable• wildfires• intense• conserve• Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change• Sustainable Development Goals• afforestation• saplings• insulation• heat pumps• surplus <p>How do global changes affect local places in Ethiopia?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• time zone• teff• workforce• employment structure• relief• rift valley• Great Rift Valley• contemporary• diversity• relative position• variations• relationship• latrine• representative• terrorist• underrepresented		
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