Progression in Geography Knowledge and Skills

| | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
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| Theme | Welcome to the | Ahoy there | Contrasting | Beneath the Ocean | Rainforests | Spies |
| | Big Top | | locations | (Greek Myths) | | |
| Skills | | | | | | |
| Locational skills | - Follow directions (up/ down, left/right, forwards/ backwards Eg Links to ICT B-Bots move through street to reach the park where the circus is | - Use 4 compass points to follow or give directions Eg Describe start and end point of Captain Scott's journey | - Use 4 compass points to follow or give directions - Use letter / no coordinates to locate features on a map Eg to describe the position of major cities in the UK | - Use 4 compass points confidently - Begin to use 8 compass points - Use letter / no coordinates to locate features on a map Confidently Eg to describe the position of Greek Landmarks | - Use 8 compass points - Begin to locate features on a map using 4 figure coordinates Eg Locate Rainforests and important features in the south American continent | - Use 8 compass points accurately - Locate features on a map using 4 figure co-ordinates Eg Follow and write clues using map co-ordinates as part of the spy topic |
| Drawing Maps | - Draw picture maps of places and from stories Eg A picture map of the circus coming into town. | - Draw a map of a real or imaginary place Eg create a sketch map of school from an aerial photograph | - Make a map of a short route experienced, with the features in the correct order - Try to make a simple scale drawing Eg Route map along TG road | | - Begin to draw a variety of maps based on their own data Eg Maps of a south American region which show land use, economic activity, natural resources | - Draw a variety of thematic maps based on their own data - Begin to draw plans of increasing complexity Eg Map of a given city sent to as part of spy mission |

| Representations | S | - Begin to understand the need for a key Use class agreed symbols to make a simple key Eg As part of sketch map of school | - Know why a key is needed - Use standard symbols - Begin to recognise symbols on an OS map | | - Draw a sketch map using symbols and a key - Use / recognise OS map symbols Eg Maps of a south American region which show the main landmarks | - Use / recognise OS map symbols - Use atlas symbols Eg Map of a given city sent to as part of spy mission |
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| Using maps | | - Follow a route on a map Eg Follow route around school as class explorers to locate a hidden treasure or clues | - Locate places on larger scale maps Eg Uk and Europe | - Locate places on large scale maps Eg Continents and Oceans of the World on a globe | - Compare maps with aerial photos - Begin to use atlases to find out about other features Eg rainfall in different regions | - Use atlases confidently Eg Locate countries and cities of te major security agencies around the world |
| Scale Distance | - Use relative vocabulary Eg Bigger / smaller Longer, shorter Eg The church is taller than the shop | - Begin to spatially match places Eg recognise continents on a small-scale map | Begin to match boundaries Eg the boundary of countries that make up the Uk, boundary of West Midlands | Begin to match boundaries Eg the boundary of a continents | Measure straight line distance on a plan Find / recognise places on maps of different scales Eg Distance between Uk and South American countries | |
| Map Knowledge | - Learn names of places | - Learn and name on a UK map major features | - Begin to identify points on a map Eg Landmarks in Uk and Birmingham | - Begin to identify significant places and environments | - Identify significant places and environments | Confidently identify significant places and environments |

| | Eg Countries of famous circuses around the world | Eg seven continents, five oceans, North and south poles, Equator | Eg Five main oceans, coral reefs, layers of the ocean | Eg Locate South America, identifying environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics | Eg Mountain / desert region that a spy has been sent to. Create a fact- file of info to use as part of undercover file |
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| Vocab | | | | Climate zones Biomes Vegetation belts | |