

# Holy Family's Progression of Knowledge and Skills Geography



HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Location knowledge		
EYFS		Understanding the World; Development matters and Early Learning Goals
Skills	Identifying land and water on a map or globe Making observations about the characteristics of places (in stories, photographs or in the school grounds/local area).*	Development Matters Draw information from a simple map. Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside. Recognise some environments that are different from the one in which they live. Understand that some places are special to members of their community. Early Learning Goals Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps
Knowledge	To know some vocabulary to describe different bodies of water, even if used inaccurately (sea/ocean, lake, river, pond)* To know that usually water is represented in blue on a map or globe. To know the name of their school and the place where they live. To know some vocabulary to describe the characteristics of different places, even if used inaccurately (hill, field, building, road, house, old).*	

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Skills	Locating two of the world's seven continents on a world map. Locating two of the world's oceans (Atlantic Ocean and Pacific Ocean) on a world map. Showing on a map which continent they live in.	Locating all the world's seven continents on a world map. Locating the world's five oceans on a world map. Showing on a map the oceans nearest the continent they live in.	Name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans
Knowledge	To know the name of two continents (Europe and Asia). To know that a continent is a group of countries. To know that they live in the continent of Europe. To know that an ocean is a large body of water. To know the name of two of the world's oceans (Atlantic Ocean and Pacific Ocean).	To be able to name the seven continents of the world. To be able to name the five oceans of the world.	
Skills	Locating the four countries of the United Kingdom (UK) on a map of this area. Showing on a map which country they live in and locating its capital city.	Locating the surrounding seas and oceans of the UK on a map of this area. Locating the capital cities of the four countries of the UK on a map of this area. Identifying characteristics (both human and physical) of the four capital cities of the UK. Showing on a map the city, town or village where they live in relation to their capital city.	Name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas
Knowledge	To know that the UK is short for 'United Kingdom'. To know that a country is a land or nation with its own government. To know that the United Kingdom is made up of four countries and their names. To know the name of the country they live in.	To know that a sea is a body of water that is smaller than an ocean.* To know that there are four bodies of water surrounding the UK and to be able to name them. To name some characteristics of the four capital cities of the UK. To know the four capital cities of the UK. To know that a capital city is the city where a country's government is located.	

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	Year 3 & 4	Year 5 & 6	National Curriculum
Skills	<p>Locating some countries in Europe and North and South America using maps. Locating some major cities of the countries studied. Locating some key physical features in countries studied on a map including significant environmental regions. Locating some key human features in countries studied. Locating the world's most significant mountain ranges on a world map and identifying any patterns. Locating where the world's volcanoes are on a map and identifying the 'Ring of Fire'. Locating some of the world's most significant rivers and identifying any patterns.</p>	<p>Locating more countries in Europe and North and South America using maps. Locating major cities of the countries studied. Locating key physical features in countries studied on a map . Locating key human features in countries studied. Identifying significant environmental regions on a map. Using maps to show the distribution of the world's climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts.</p>	<p>Locate the world's countries, using maps to focus on Europe (including the location of Russia) and North and South America, concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries, and major cities</p>
Knowledge	<p>To know where North and South America are on a world map. To know the names of some countries and major cities in Europe and North and South America. To know the names of some of the world's most significant mountain ranges. To know the names of some of the world's most significant rivers. To know that mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes largely occur at plate boundaries. To know that climate zones are areas of the world with similar climates.* To know the world's different climate zones (equatorial, tropical, hot desert, temperate and polar).* To know that biomes are areas of world with similar climates, vegetation and animals.* To know the world's biomes. * To know vegetation belts are areas of the world which are home to similar plant species.*</p>	<p>To know the name of many countries and major cities in Europe and North and South America. To know the location of key physical features in countries studied. To name and describe some of the world's vegetation belts (ice cape, tundra, coniferous forest, deciduous forest, evergreen forest, mixed forest, temperate grassland, tropical grassland, mediterranean, desert scrub, desert, highland).*</p>	

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Skills	<p>Locating some counties in the UK (local to your school). Locating some cities in the UK (local to your school). Identifying key physical and human characteristics of counties, cities and/or geographical regions in the UK. Beginning to locate the twelve geographical regions of the UK. Identifying how topographical features studied have changed over time using examples. Describing how a locality has changed over time, giving examples of both physical and human features</p>	<p>Locating counties in the UK. Locating many cities in the UK. Locating the twelve geographical regions of the UK. Identifying key physical and human characteristics of the geographical regions in the UK. Understanding how land-use has changed over time using examples. Explaining why a locality has changed over time, giving examples of both physical and human features.</p>	<p>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), and land-use patterns; and understand how some of these aspects have changed over time</p>
Knowledge	<p>To know that a county is an area of the UK which has its own local government. To know the name of some counties in the UK (local to your school). To know the name of some cities in the UK (local to your school). To know the name of the county that they live in and their closest city. To begin to name the twelve geographical regions of the UK. To know the main types of land use.* To know some types of settlement.*</p>	<p>To recognise the name of many counties in the UK. To know the name of many cities in the UK. To name the twelve geographical regions of the UK. To know that London and the South East regions have the largest population in the UK.</p>	

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Skills	<p>Finding the position of the Equator and describing how this impacts our environmental regions. Finding lines of latitude and longitude on a globe and explaining why these are important. Identifying the position of the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn and their significance. Identifying the position of the Northern and Southern hemispheres and explaining how they shape our seasons. Identifying the position and significance of both the Arctic and Antarctic Circle.</p>	<p>Identifying the location of the Prime/Greenwich Meridian and time zones (including day and night) and explaining its significance. Using longitude and latitude when referencing location in an atlas or on a globe.</p>	<p>Identify the position and significance of latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic Circle, the Prime/Greenwich Meridian and time zones (including day and night)</p>
Knowledge	<p>To know that countries near the Equator have less seasonal change than those near the poles. To know that the Equator is a line of latitude indicating the hottest places on Earth and splitting our globe into the Northern and Southern Hemispheres. To know lines of longitude are invisible lines on the globe that determine how far east or west a location is from the Prime Meridian. To know lines of latitude are invisible lines on the globe that determine how far north or south a location is from the Equator. To know the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn are lines of latitude and mark the equatorial region; the countries with the hottest climates. To know the Northern and Southern hemisphere are 'halves' of the Earth, above and below our Equator and have alternate seasons to each other. To know the boundaries of the polar regions are marked by the invisible lines the Arctic and Antarctic circle. To know the patterns of daylight in the Arctic and Antarctic circle and the Equatorial regions.</p>	<p>To know the Prime/Greenwich Meridian is a line of longitude which goes through 0° and determines the start of the world's time zones.</p>	

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	EYFS	Understanding the World; Development matters and Early Learning Goals
Skills	Discussing how environments in stories and images are different to the environment they live in.	<p><b>Development matters</b> Recognise some environments that are different from the one in which they live.</p> <p>Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries.</p>
Knowledge	To know that places within this country can differ from each other. To know that there are differences between places in this country and places in other countries.	<p><b>Early Learning Goals</b> Explain some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries, drawing on knowledge from stories, non-fiction texts and – when appropriate – maps.</p> <p>Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class;</p>

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Skills	<p>Naming some key similarities between their local area and a small area of a contrasting non-European country.</p> <p>Naming some key differences between their local area and a small area of a contrasting non-European country.</p>	<p>Describing and beginning to explain some key similarities between their local area and a small area of a contrasting non-European country.</p> <p>Describing and beginning to explain some key differences between their local area and a small area of a contrasting non-European country.</p> <p>Describing what physical features may occur in a hot place in comparison to a cold place</p>	<p>Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the United Kingdom, and of a small area in a contrasting non-European country.</p>
Knowledge	<p>To know that life elsewhere in the world is often different to ours. To know that life elsewhere in the world often has similarities to ours.</p>	<p>To know some similarities and differences between their local area and a contrasting non-European country</p>	

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Place Knowledge				
Year 3 & 4		Year 5 & 6		National Curriculum
Skills	<p>Describing and beginning to explain similarities between two regions studied. Describing and beginning to explain differences between two regions studied. Describing how and why humans have responded in different ways to their local environments. Discussing how climates have an impact on trade, land use and settlement. Explaining what measures humans have taken in order to adapt to survive in cold places. Describing and explaining how people who live in a contrasting physical area may have different lives to people in the UK.</p>	<p>Describing and explaining similarities between two environmental regions studied. Describing and explaining differences between two environmental regions studied. Explaining how and why humans have responded in different ways to their local environments in two contrasting regions. Understanding how climates impact on trade, land use and settlement. Explaining how humans have used desert environments. Using maps to explore wider global trading routes.</p>	<p>Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom, a region in a European country, and a region within North or South America</p>	
Knowledge	<p>To know the negative effects of living near a volcano. To know the positive effects of living near a volcano. To know the negative effects an earthquake can have on a community. To know ways in which communities respond to earthquakes.</p>	<p>To know some similarities and differences between the UK and a European mountain region. To know why tourists visit mountain regions.</p>		

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	EYFS	Understanding the World; Development matters and Early Learning Goals
Skills	<p>Observing weather across the seasons. Observing and discussing the effect the changing seasons have on the world around them. Beginning to use the names of the seasons in the correct context. Making observations about the features of places (in stories, photographs or in the school grounds/local area).*</p> <p>Making observations about the characteristics of places (in stories, photographs or in the school grounds/local area).*</p>	<p><b>Development matters</b> Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside. Explore the natural world around them. Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them.</p> <p><b>Early Learning Goals</b> Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants; Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons and changing states of matter. Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class;</p>
Knowledge	<p>To know that the terms Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter are used to describe the season. To know some of the key characteristics of each season. To know that there are four seasons in a year marked by certain weather conditions. To know some vocabulary to describe different bodies of water, even if used inaccurately (sea/ocean, lake, river, pond)* To know some vocabulary to describe the characteristics of different places, even if used inaccurately (hill, field, building, road, house, old).*</p>	

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<b>Skills</b>	Describing how the weather changes with each season in the UK. Describing the daily weather patterns in their locality. Confidently using the vocabulary 'season' and 'weather'	Locating some hot and cold areas of the world on a world map. Locating the Equator and North and South Poles on a world map. Locating hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South poles.	Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom and the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles.
<b>Knowledge</b>	To know the four seasons of the UK. To know that 'weather' refers to the conditions outside at a particular time. To know that different parts of the UK often experience different weather. To know that a weather forecast is when someone tries to predict what the weather will be like in the near future. To know that weather conditions can be measured and recorded	To know that the Equator is an imaginary line around the middle of the Earth. To know that, because it is the widest part of the Earth, the Equator is much closer to the sun than the North and South poles. To know that the North Pole is the northernmost point of the Earth and the South Pole is the southernmost point of the Earth. To know that different parts of the world experience different weather conditions and that these are often caused by the location of the place	
<b>Skills</b>	Recognising some physical features in their locality.	Describing the key physical features of a coast using subject specific vocabulary.	Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical features, including: beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, valley, vegetation, season and weather
<b>Knowledge</b>	To know that physical features means any feature of an area that is on the Earth naturally.	To know that coasts (and other physical features) change over time. To know some key physical features of the UK.	
<b>Skills</b>	Recognising some human features in their locality	Describing and understanding the differences between a city, town and village. Describing the key human features of a coastal town using subject specific vocabulary.	Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key human features, including: city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour and shop
<b>Knowledge</b>	To know that human features means any feature of an area that was made or built by humans.	To know that a sea is a body of water that is smaller than an ocean. To know that human features change over time. To know some key human features of the UK.	

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### Human and Physical Geography

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Skills	<p>Mapping and labelling the six biomes on a world map.</p> <p>Understanding some of the causes of climate change.</p> <p>Describing how physical features, such as mountains and rivers are formed, and why volcanoes and earthquakes occur.</p> <p>Describing where volcanoes, earthquakes and mountains are located globally.</p> <p>Describing and explaining how physical features such as rivers, mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes have had an impact upon the surrounding landscape and communities.</p> <p>Describing how humans use water in a variety of ways.</p>	<p>Describing and understanding the key aspects of the six biomes.</p> <p>Describing and understanding the key aspects of the six climate zones.</p> <p>Understanding some of the impacts and causes of climate change.</p> <p>Describing and understanding the key aspects and distribution of the vegetation belts in relation to the six biomes, climate and weather.</p> <p>Giving examples of alternative viewpoints and solutions regarding an environmental issue and explaining its links to climate change.</p>	<p>Describe and understand key aspects of:</p> <p>Physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes, and the water cycle</p>
Knowledge	<p>To know that the water cycle is the processes and stores which move water around our Earth and to be able to name these.</p> <p>To know the courses and key features of a river.</p> <p>To know the different types of mountains and volcanoes and how they are formed.</p> <p>To know that an earthquake is the intense shaking of the ground.</p> <p>To know that a biome is a region of the globe sharing a similar climate, landscape, vegetation and wildlife.*</p> <p>To know the world's biomes.*</p> <p>To know that the hottest biomes are found between the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn.</p> <p>To know that climate zones are areas of the world with similar climates.*</p> <p>To know the world's different climate zones.*</p>	<p>To know vegetation belts are areas of the world that are home to similar plant species.*</p> <p>To name and describe some of the world's vegetation belts.</p> <p>To know why the ocean is important.</p>	

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	<p>To know that climates can influence the foods able to grow.</p>		
<p>skills</p>	<p>Describing and understanding types of settlement and land use.          Explaining why a settlement and community has grown in a particular location.          Explaining why different locations have different human features.          Explaining why people might prefer to live in an urban or rural place.          Describing how humans can impact the environment both positively and negatively, using examples.</p>	<p>Describing and understanding economic activity including trade links.          Suggesting reasons why the global population has grown significantly in the last 70 years.          Describing the 'push' and 'pull' factors that people may consider when migrating.          Understanding the distribution of natural resources both globally and within a specific region or country studied.          Recognising geographical issues affecting people in different places and environments.          Describing and explaining how humans can impact the environment both positively and negatively, using examples.</p>	<p>Describe and understand key aspects of: Human geography, including: types of settlement and land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water</p>
<p>knowledge</p>	<p>To know the main types of land use.*          To know the different types of settlement.*          To know water is used by humans in a variety of ways.          To know an urban place is somewhere near a town or city.          To know a rural place is somewhere near the countryside.          To know that a natural resource is something that people can use which comes from the natural environment.          To know the threats to the rainforest both on a local and global scale.          To know that fair trading is the process of ensuring workers are paid a fair price, have safe</p>	<p>To know the global population has grown significantly since the 1950s.          To know which factors are considered before people build settlements.          To know migration is the movement of people from one country to another.          To know that natural resources can be used to make energy.          To know some positive impacts of humans on the environment.          To know some negative impacts of humans on the environment.</p>	

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	<p>working conditions and are treated with respect and equality. To know the UK grows food locally and imports food from other countries.</p>		
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