

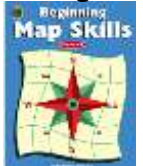


KS3 Curriculum Overview (Year 7 and 8)

Year 7

Autumn Term

The first term in Year 7 Geography is dedicated to developing basic map skills such as using an atlas effectively and grid references. Students also practice research and source analysis skills which will aid them in further studies of the subject. One of the places chosen as a case study to support student learning are the Amazon Rainforest.



Spring Term

Students will then move on to look at the hazardous nature of our planet and environment. They will examine how tectonic activity has shaped our environment. Students will investigate the threats and opportunities created by volcanoes and assessing why the UK no longer has active examples.



Summer Term

Students will be transported to USA and Mexico to learn about the different aspects of life in the Sonoran Desert. They will learn the environment, how plants and animals adapt to it. Students will learn about the unique geography of this location and how it was created.



Year 8

Autumn Term

Students will begin Year 8 by examining cold environments. Students will learn how ice ages in the past have shaped the UK. They will learn how glaciers form and how they can transform and create new landforms. The influence of glaciation still exists in the UK and students will study how glaciated areas are now used, the conflicts this can create and the ways this can be managed.



Spring Term

Students will continue Year 8 by examining the world of resources. They will learn about the different types and how they impact on our lives. This will link with development. Students will learn why some areas of the world are more developed than others and the factors that affect this.



Summer Term

Students examine different environments of Oceania, in particular the different physical features of New Zealand. They will explore the natural side of mountain environments and how humans use them, often for tourism.

