Geography Topics (Cycle A)

			Cornerstones Topics			
Year Group	Autumn		Spring		Summer	
Reception	Let's Explore Begin to notice and talk about the different places around the world, including oceans and seas.	Marvellous Machines Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants.	Long Ago Discuss how the local environment has changed over time using photographs and first-hand experiences; Describe ways to look after the immediate environment; Describe ways to look after the immediate environment.	Ready Steady Grow Make and use simple maps in their play to represent places and journey's, real and imagined; Name and describe basic features of plants and trees; Observe and describe living things and their habitats within the local environment.	Animal Safari Two places and how they are different using simple picture maps, photographs and data; describe how the weather, plants and animals is different to anothe using simple geographical term; describe ways to look after the environment; make and use simple maps in their play to represent places and journey's real and imagined.	and talk about the different places raround the world including oceans ar
Year 1/2	*Our wonderful world Physical and human features; Picture maps; Cardinal compass points; Equator and hemispheres; Continents; Oceans; Countries and capital cites of the UK; Protecting natural environments; Fieldwork		Bright Lights Big City Countries and capital cities of the UK; Physical features of the UK; Settlements; Human features; Weather and seasons; Landmarks; Aerial images; Locational language; Maps; Compass directions; Geographical similarities		Revision and retrieval practic	e
Year 3/4	*One Planet, Our World Maps; Locating countries; Human and physical features; Four-figure grid references; Primary data; Compass points; Earth's layers; Plate tectonics; Latitude and longitude; European countries and cities; UK counties and cities; Carbon footprints; Weather and the local environment; Land use; Fieldwork; Local enquiry		Rocks, Relics and Rumbles Layers of the Earth; Rocks; Plate tectonics; Ring of Fire; Features of volcanoes; Lines of latitude and longitude; Volcanic eruptions; Earthquakes and tsunamis; Compass points; Maps		Revision and retrieval practic	e
Year 5/6	*Investigating Our world Ordnance Survey maps; Contour lines; Six-figure grid references; Time zones; Climate zones; Vegetation belts; Biomes; Human geography; World cities; Sustainable manufacturing processes; Relatives locations and distances; Transport networks; Settlement hierarchy; Local enquiry; Fieldwork		Sow, Grow and Farm Land use in the UK; Allotments; Farming in the UK; Maps; Grid references; Climate zones; Physical features of North and South America; Farming in North and South America; Food transportation		Revision and retrieval practice	



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Geography Topics (Cycle B)

Cornerstones Topics									
Year Group	Autumn		Spring		Summer				
Reception	Let's Explore Begin to notice and talk about the different places around the world, including oceans and seas.	Marvellous Machines Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants.	Long Ago Discuss how the local environment has changed over time using photographs and first-hand experiences; Describe ways to look after the immediate environment; Describe ways to look after the immediate environment.	Ready Steady Grow Make and use simple maps in their play to represent places and journey's, real and imagined; Name and describe basic features of plants and trees; Observe and describe living things and their habitats within the local environment.	Animal Safari Two places and how they are different using simple picture maps, photographs and data; describe how the weather, plants and animals is different to another using simple geographical term; describe ways to look after the environment; make and use simple maps in their play to represent places and journey's real and imagined.	and talk about the different places raround the world including oceans and			
Year 1/2	*Let's explore the world Using an atlas; Using a compass; Using map keys; Locating the equator, Northern and Southern Hemispheres and North and South Poles; Hot, temperate and cold places; Comparing England to Somalia; Sustainability; Fieldwork		Coastline Maps, globes and atlases; World seas and oceans; Human and physical features; Locational language; Compass directions; Physical processes – erosion; Changes over time; Tourism		Revision and retrieval practice				
Year 3/4	*Interconnected world Compass points; Four and six-figure grid references; Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn; Countries, climate and culture of North and South America; Significant physical features of the UK; Renewable and non-renewable energy; National Rail network; UK canal network; Fieldwork; Local enquiry		Misty Mountain, Winding River Rivers; Maps; Grid references; Contour lines; Physical processes – erosion, transportation and deposition; World rivers; Aerial images; Mountains; UK mountains; World mountains; Compass points; Water cycle; Soil; Altitudinal zones; Data analysis		Revision and retrieval pract	ce			
Year 5/6	*Our Changing world Features of Earth including the Arctic and Antarctic Circles; Time zones, Latitude and longitude; Map scale; Grid references, contours and symbols; Climate change, extreme weather and people; Worldwide trade; Natural resource management; Road safety; Fieldwork; Settlement patterns; Local enquiry		Frozen Kingdoms Arctic and Antarctic regions; Lines of latitude and longitude; Polar climates; Polar day and night; Polar oceans; Polar landscapes; Climate change; Natural resources; Indigenous people; Tourism		Revision and retrieval practice				

