

Curriculum Map: Key Stage 3

GEOGRAPHY

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
September	What is Geography? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is Geography? 2. Can you locate the continents and oceans? 3. What makes a good geographer? 4. What types of scale do geographers use? 5. How do you carry out an investigation in geography? Key piece 1: Summer Holiday	Why is important to live sustainably? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is sustainable development? 2. How can cities be green? 3. Why is a loss of biodiversity a potential disaster? 4. How should we generate energy? Key piece 1: Extended Writing: What are the advantages and disadvantages of renewable and non-renewable energy? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. What is the most suitable form of renewable energy for different villages? 	What are living standards like in different countries around the world? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is global development and how is it measured? 2. How can development indicators help us compare countries? 3. What was the Brandt line and how did it map development around the world? Key piece 1: Writing: Comparing the development of India, United Kingdom and Malawi <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. How does employment link to development? 5. Why is trade unfair?
October	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Can you use an atlas? 7. How do geographers use latitude and longitude? 8. What are the major features of the United Kingdom's geography? Fantastic Places <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are the wonders of the world? 2. Is China overpopulated? 3. Is there inequality in India? 4. How did the Himalayas form? 5. Why is the Great Barrier Reef under threat? 6. Why is Hawaii volcanic? 7. What are the challenges in the Brazilian favelas? 8. How did Victoria Falls form? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. What are the causes of climate change? 7. What are the impacts of climate change? 8. How can we reduce the risk of climate change? Studying a Newly Emerging Economy – Brazil <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Where is Brazil? 2. How diverse are Brazil's physical features? 3. What is life like in Brazil? 4. How is Brazil's population distributed? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Is Kenya a HIC or LIC? 7. What is poverty? 8. How do diseases affect a country's development? 9. What is aid? The study of plate tectonics <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What causes earthquakes and volcanoes? 2. Why was the Mount Pele eruption so deadly? 3. What happens when two tectonic plates meet? 4. How do hazards vary at different plate margins? 5. What are the different types of volcanoes?
November	Working at 1: WA1: Fundamentals of Geography 18 th -29 th November	Key piece 2: choropleth maps: Describe and explain the population distribution of Brazil <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. How does Rio de Janeiro differ from Minas Gerais? 6. Why do people live in favelas? Working at 1: WA1: Climate change examination 18 th -29 th November	Key piece 2: Tectonic processes at a destructive plate margin Working at 1: WA1: Global Development? (numeracy) 18 th -29 th November
December	Key piece 2: Extended Writing: Explain the formation of a waterfall <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9. Who built Stonehenge? 10. Is Russia a superpower? 11. Why is the Middle East an important region of the world? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. How did sport bring conflict and opportunity to Rio de Janeiro? 8. What is it like to live in the rainforest? 9. Why is the leader of the Kayapo tribe crying? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Why was Eyjafjallajökull a memorable eruption? 7. Could the Chinese earthquake of 2008 be prevented? 8. What is a tsunami? Key piece 3: Brazil knowledge Assessment

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January	What are Settlements? 1. Why are settlements important places? 2. How do we describe patterns of rural settlements? 3. How and why do settlements grow?	How do rivers shape our landscape? 1. How does water travel around the world? 2. What is a drainage basin? 3. How do rivers wear away the landscape?	Polar regions and climate change 1. What is the difference between the Arctic and the Antarctic? 2. Who was Captain Scott? 3. Who owns Antarctica?
February	4. Can we classify settlements by their size and importance? 5. How are urban areas similar in terms of land use? 6. What are the challenges and opportunities of settlement growth? 7. What are the pressures at the rural-urban fringe? Key piece 3: Settlement exam: Includes 10-mark question on case study of settlement growth.	4. Why are waterfalls formed? 5. What landforms are found in the middle course? 6. How are floodplains and levees made? 7. What can we learn from a flood hydrograph? 8. What happened in Boscastle in 2004? Key piece 4: Rivers Do you agree flooding is caused by human factors?	4. Why are the ecosystems unique in the polar regions? 5. How do the polar regions change throughout the course of the year? 6. What is the evidence for ice ages? 7. How do glaciers shape the landscape? 8. Why do tourists visit Antarctica? 9. What does the future hold for the polar regions? Key piece 3: Polar Regions Assessment
March	Why are maps important in geography? 1. What makes a good map? 2. What are the OS map symbols? 3. How do we use grid references? 4. How do we measure distance on a map? 5. How is direction shown on a map? Working at 2: WA2: Examination 16th -27th March	Is there a global population crisis? 1. How has population changed over time? 2. Should we be concerned about population growth? 3. How do population pyramids vary depending on a country's level of development? 4. How useful is the Demographic Transition Model? 5. What is rural to urban migration? Working at 2: WA2: Examination 16th -27th March	What do we find at the coast? 1. What are the two types of waves? 2. What are the main coastal processes? 3. How does erosion create sea stacks? 4. What is a spit? 5. How can we protect properties at the coast? Working at 2: WA2: Examination 16th -27th March
April	6. How is height shown on a map? 7. How can we navigate an orienteering course? Key piece 4: Cartographic Skills: Local area map skills exam What is weather and climate? 1. What is weather and climate? 2. How do we measure the weather?	6. What were the impacts of China's one child policy? 7. What happened to the inhabitants of Easter Island? Key piece 5: Was China's one child policy a success or failure? Why is tourism an important industry? 1. Is tourism a force for good or bad? 2. What are the impacts of tourism in National Parks?	6. Why is Holderness the fastest eroding coastline in Europe? Key piece 4: The coastal management in Holderness has been successful. Do you agree? The Geography of Crime 1. What are the links between crime and geography? 2. How can GIS help solve crimes? 3. What are the impacts of crime on the victim, offender, and the wider public?

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May	<p>3. What is low pressure weather? 4. What is high pressure weather 5. How can extreme weather cause natural disasters?</p> <p>Key piece 5: What can we learn about Typhoon Haiyan? Why do different climates create different ecosystems?</p> <p>1. What are the Earth’s major biomes? 2. Why are rocks and soil important?</p>	<p>3. How does Kenya benefit from international tourism? 4. What is eco-tourism?</p> <p>Does money make the world go round?</p> <p>1. What is globalisation? 2. What are the four types of economic activity? 3. What is the informal economy?</p>	<p>4. What is the geography of the international drugs trade?</p> <p>Key piece 5: Explain: Explain the links between Abdul and Giles</p> <p>1. What are blood diamonds? 2. What are environmental crimes?</p> <p>Asian Study - Japan</p> <p>1. What makes Japan special? 2. What is Japan’s physical geography?</p>
June	<p>3. How is energy transferred throughout an ecosystem? 4. Why are the tropical rainforests important ecosystems?</p> <p>Working at 3 examinations 21st June – 2 weeks</p>	<p>4. What are food miles? 5. Why did Dilip change his name to David?</p> <p>Working at 3 examinations 21st June – 2 weeks</p>	<p>3. What makes Japanese culture so unique? 4. Why is population declining in Japan?</p> <p>Working at 3 examinations 21st June – 2 weeks</p>
July	<p>5. How does life adapt to the desert climate? 6. Why is biodiversity under threat?</p> <p>Key piece 6: Explain how species have adapted to hostile environments.</p>	<p>6. Do TNCs bring positives or negatives to a country?</p> <p>Key piece 6: Globalisation assessment</p>	<p>5. What happened in the Japan Tsunami? 6. Is Japan the most technologically advanced country in the world?</p> <p>Key piece 6: Describe the effects of the Japanese Tsunami.</p>