

Year 7 Geography Curriculum Summary 2023/24

Unit / title	Threshold concepts / core knowledge / links to previous and future learning	Formative (interim) assessment / homework	Formal assessment
Welcome to Geography	In this introductory topic, students learn about the two main strands of geography - physical and human. They will begin to discover the geography of the UK as well as learn and locate the world's continents. Students will also learn how to use key map skills including grid references, scale and direction.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End of topic test. • One piece of extended writing. • Key terms test. • Homework will be aligned to these interim assessments. 	None.
Water on the Land	In this topic, students learn about the hydrological cycle and drainage basin water cycle. They will investigate how river processes change downstream and how this affects the formation of river landforms. Students will also investigate river flooding events in different global locations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One piece of extended writing. • Key terms test. • Homework will be aligned to these interim assessments. 	Written assessment completed under exam conditions. The assessment will include short and longer answer questions and also cover geographical skills.
Population	In this topic, students learn about global population change and its social, economic and environmental impacts. Students will also consider the causes, effects and responses relating to the growth of the UK's ageing population.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End of topic test. • One piece of extended writing. • Key terms test. • Homework will be aligned to these interim assessments. 	None.
Weather and Climate	In this topic, students learn about the different elements of weather and climate. They will study different types of weather systems in addition to finding out about different types of rainfall. Students will also examine how climates vary across the UK and the reasons for these variations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One piece of extended writing. • Key terms test. • Homework will be aligned to these interim assessments. 	Written assessment completed under exam conditions. The assessment will include short and longer answer questions and also cover geographical skills.
The Peak District	In this topic, students consider the physical and human characteristics of the Peak District. They will learn about the geology and natural landscape of the region. They will also investigate the advantages and disadvantages of the tourism industry in the Peak District.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End of topic test. • One piece of extended writing. • Key terms test. • Homework will be aligned to these interim assessments. 	None.