



Year 7	Term 1- Introduction to Geography		11 Lessons
Aims: To develop student’s geographical enquiry skills through promoting inspirational places around the world. To develop a range of basic map skills and place knowledge which will be utilised to support learning in other topics throughout the Foundation Stage Scheme of Work. Links to KS4: Map skills and place knowledge are intrinsic to the GCSE specification.			
Key Skills		Literacy Links:	Numeracy Links:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Place Knowledge at Global and Regional Scales.Use of Grid References, Map Symbols, Contour Lines, Scale, Compass Points and Longitude and Latitudes.Geographical Enquiry- generating a sense of geographical curiosity.Fieldwork opportunity for applying map skills to reality.		Promoting the use of blooms in their written work and a range of specialist key terms.	Map skills including grid references, longitude and latitude.
Assessment		Cross-Curricular Links	
<p>Edexcel Baseline Assessment to provide an understanding of student’s geographical knowledge to date.</p> <p>Peer Assessment and teacher marking opportunities to assess accuracy of using map skills in line with the success criteria.</p>		Numeracy links, Use of IT for GIS, different styles of writing for Literacy.	
		SMSC opportunities and British values	
		Opportunities for discussions of the differences and similarities between places and for promoting respect and understanding.	
Opportunities for further learning			
<p>Typically, homework is not issued to Year 7 Geography students in term 1. However, there are potential opportunities for further learning including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Encouraging students to use ‘Geoguessr’ to promote a greater understanding of place knowledge and using GIS.Promoting students use of the OS Mapzone website to develop a range of skills associated with map skills.Promoting the use of country quiz sites including Sporcle and Jet Punk for developing wider place knowledge, this could be used as a class competition with a leader board, or at a department level.Encourage students to revise map symbols/ countries for short quizzes in class.			