

GEOGRAPHY - Vocabulary Builder

	EYFS	Years 1 and 2 (as EYFS plus...)	Years 3 and 4 (as EYFS, Year 1 and 2 plus...)	Years 5 and 6 (as EYFS, Year 1/2/3/4 plus...)
Human features	building, town, farm, road, park, path, people	city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour, shop, capital city, country	urban, region, Europe, county, economy, trade, energy	deforestation, derelict, economy
Physical features	beach, sea, lake, river, desert, mountain, hill, countryside, forest, wood, weather, seasons	beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, valley, vegetation, season weather, marine	landscape, UK names of mountains/hills e.g. Pennines Grampians, Cambrians, Southern Uplands, North and South Downs etc. rural, climate, erosion, earthquake, volcano, water cycle, geology, minerals and rock types e.g. chalk, slate, granite, sandstone. biomes/vegetation belts e.g. tundra, coniferous, deciduous.	tributary, confluence, meander, ox bow, estuary, mouth, source, climate zones
Geographical map skills and fieldwork	map, local, place, globe	Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Antarctica, Australia/Oceania/Australasia, Europe, Arctic, Southern, Pacific, Atlantic, Indian, England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, Belfast, Cardiff, Edinburgh, London, North/Irish/Celtic Seas, English Channel	observe, measure/record, environmental, region, compass points: NW NE SE SW, Ordnance Survey map, scale, 4 figure grid reference, contours, symbols, minerals, rocks European country and capital city names	Geographical Information systems (GIS) Analysis of data and statistics, global warming, latitude, longitude, 6 figure grid reference, North/South hemisphere, Tropics of Capricorn and Cancer, time differences, North, Central and South American country and capital city names
Other useful words appropriate for phase	village, city, shop, land, house, motorway, language, world, water, pond	Environment, recycle, compass points: East, North, South, West. Fieldwork, plan, aerial photograph, map, key symbols, Equator, hot/cold, direction, key, country, continent, globe, atlas, address, right/ left, patterns, characteristics, surrounding seas	globally significant, land use, features, hemisphere, food chain, differences/similarities, compare/contrast, United Kingdom, Great Britain, condensation, evaporation, change/effect, interaction between physical and human processes, formation, interconnected, change over time.	spatial, variation, vegetation, erosion, deposition, headland, resort, cliff, bay, delta, Geographical influences, climate change, Ordnance Survey
Challenge for this phase	Directional language Left/Right, near, next to, behind, Compass points -N, E, S, W	scale, route planner, grid, vegetation, urban, rural, challenge, diverse places, resources, natural and human environments	Latitude, longitude, tributary, confluence, meander, estuary, source, mouth, precipitation, Tropics of Capricorn and Cancer, terrestrial	relief, digital mapping

Our Geography progressive vocabulary builder identifies key vocabulary to be taught from EYFS to year 6. These words are part of our curriculum aimed at narrowing the vocabulary gap for our children. As a school, we aim to expose all children to a broad range of vocabulary and provide them with the skills to use and apply these.

