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Key Stage Three Curriculum Plan - *Subject: Geography*



Year 7	
Half Term (HT)	Topic Area / Focus
HT1	Introduction to Geography • Human and physical geography • How to describe, explain, and compare • Presenting data: choropleth maps and bar charts Mid-unit quiz • Fieldwork Study – Local Area and GCH Assessment point and review lesson
HT2	Map Skills • Continents and oceans • UK Geography, including major physical and human features • Latitude and longitude • OS Map symbols and direction • Scale and distance Mid-unit quiz • Four-figure and six-figure grid references • Relief, contour lines, and spot height • GIS maps



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HT3	Map Skills continued... • Relief, contour lines, and spot height • GIS maps Assessment point and review lesson Settlement • Site and situation • Rural vs urban • Functions of a settlement • Development and change in London • Land Use – the Burgess Model Mid-unit quiz
HT4	Settlement continued... • Oxford Street development • Sustainable cities • Mumbai (areas of Dharavi and Malabar Hill) • Researching and presenting data collected on students' settlements Assessment point and review lesson
HT5	



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	Weather and Climate • Weather vs climate • Measuring weather and climate (and climate graphs) • Air pressure Mid-unit quiz • Types of rainfall • UK climate variation Revision, end of year exam, and feedback lesson
HT6	Weather and Climate continued if not finished... • Infiltration rates experiment • Causes of flooding Russia • Human and physical maps of Russia • Climate variation • Population distribution • Researching and presenting on Russia's neighbours
Year 8	
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HT1	Tectonic Hazards • Structure of the Earth • Plate boundaries • Causes of earthquakes • Types of volcanoes • Earthquake case studies: Myanmar and Taiwan Mid-unit quiz • Volcano Case Study: Nyiragongo • Living near volcanoes • Protection and planning: reducing impacts Assessment point and review lesson
HT2	Our World • Global population change and distribution • Grand Canyon: formation and uses • Coral reefs, deep oceans, and associated threats and opportunities
HT3	Our World continued... • Antarctica: landscape and uses



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	Mid-unit quiz • Space: opportunities and potential for conflict • Evaluation of human impacts – writing skills development Assessment point and review lesson UK Population and Migration • Population growth and decline and distribution of the UK • Causes of population growth and decline
HT4	UK Population and Migration continued... • Migration: refugee journeys • Migration and the media • Evaluating the citizenship testing process End of unit quiz (as only a short unit and end of year exams are close)
HT5	Ecosystems and Biomes • Define ecosystems and biomes • Location of the biomes and reasons • Features and uses of rainforests Mid unit quiz (only assessment point as end of year exams are close) • Challenges and adaptations in the savannah



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	Challenges and adaptations in the desert
HT6	Revision, end of year exam, and feedback lesson The Middle East - Political and physical maps of the Middle East - Climate and biomes - Population distribution and diversity - Resource wealth Mid unit quiz - Causes and impacts of conflicts: Case study 1 (to be updated each year) - Causes and impacts of conflicts: Case study 2 (to be updated each year) Country research and presentation skills
Year 9	
Half Term (HT)	Topic Area / Focus
HT1	Unit 1: The Power of Water - Ice ages and glaciers - Fresh water access and challenges - Formation of waves and causes of tides - Coastal erosional processes



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	Mid unit quiz • Erosional landforms • Depositional landforms • Coastal Management • Coastal Ordnance Survey Map Skills Revision, end of year exam, and feedback lesson
HT2	Unit 2: Climate Change • Changes in climate over time • Evidence for climate change • Causes of climate change – enhanced greenhouse effect • Impacts of climate change on the UK and the Maldives Mid unit quiz • Responding to climate change – adaptation and mitigation • COP conferences – opportunities and challenges • 8-marker writing skills: assessing the challenges of the COP negotiations Revision, end of year exam, and feedback lesson
HT3	Unit 3a: Development • What development is and how it has changed over time • Measuring development – development indicators



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	• Malawi Case Study: What drives the development gap • Trade and supply chains Assessment point – 8 marker practice
HT4	Unit 3a: Development continued... • Different types of employment and employment structures • Fairtrade and aid Mid unit quiz Unit 3b: Globalisation • Defining types of globalisations • Causes of globalisation • Social impacts of globalisation
HT5	Unit 3b: Globalisation continued... • Environmental impacts of globalisation • Sustainable and ethical consumption • Developing research and presentation skills, investigating industry of choice Revision • Revision and exam skills ahead of end of year exams



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HT6	Week 1: End of year exam, and feedback lesson Unit 4: Africa • History of Africa • Population distribution and borders • Drivers of conflict Mid unit quiz • Evaluating resource wealth – a blessing or a curse? • Sustainable Africa • Africa expedition plans and presentations