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## 3Q3 - Quest Curriculum – Geography /2 Lessons weekly

Year	2024 – 2025 Autumn 1 Unit 1	2024 – 2025 Autumn 2 Unit 2	2024 – 2025 Spring 1 Unit 3	2024 – 2025 Spring 2 Unit 4	2024 – 2025 Summer 1 Unit 5	2024 – 2025 Summer 2 Unit 6
	<p><b>Topic:</b> London in the United Kingdom (shared with History, EY transition unit)</p> <p><b>Key questions:</b></p> <p><b>Key skills and knowledge:</b></p> <p>1) What is the United Kingdom?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To situate the United Kingdom on a map of the world &amp; of Europe.</li> <li>To identify the countries of the United Kingdom.</li> <li>To articulate that the United Kingdom is made up of islands and identify the surrounding seas.</li> </ul> <p>2) What can you find in the United Kingdom?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To explore the physical features of the United Kingdom.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Topic:</b> Seven Continents</p> <p><b>Key questions:</b></p> <p><b>Key skills and knowledge:</b></p> <p>1) What is a continent?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Locating each continent on a map.</li> <li>Identifying a continent by its shape.</li> <li>Definition of a continent.</li> <li>Definition of a continent.</li> </ul> <p>2) What is Europe like?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Zooming into Europe &amp; exploring physical features.</li> <li>Second smallest continent.</li> <li>Humans first travelled to Europe about 35,000 years ago.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Topic:</b> Seven Continents</p> <p><b>Key questions:</b></p> <p><b>Key skills and knowledge:</b></p> <p>6) What is North America like?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Third largest continent.</li> <li>Contains the United States of America, but also Canada, Greenland, Mexico, Greenland and 18 other countries.</li> <li>Describe the different weather conditions in North America.</li> </ul> <p>7) What is South America like?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fourth largest continent.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Topic:</b> Oceans and Seas</p> <p><b>Key questions:</b></p> <p><b>Key skills and knowledge:</b></p> <p>1) What is an ocean?</p> <p>Definition of an ocean (An ocean is a huge body of salt water) Identifying the 5 oceans on a map Ordering the oceans in size.</p> <p>2) Where are the world's oceans?</p> <p>Features of a map Different types of maps Location of each ocean by identifying the surrounding continents Difference between an ocean and a sea Identifying the different types of seas (enclosed by land or between ocean and land).</p>	<p><b>Topic:</b> Oceans and Seas</p> <p><b>Key questions:</b></p> <p><b>Key skills and knowledge:</b></p> <p>6) How is the ocean different at the North Pole and the Equator?</p> <p>Identify the differences in temperature at these two places Observe the differences in the appearance of the sea (ice) Explore the different types of life in the sea in.</p> <p>7) Why are the oceans under threat?</p> <p>Identify ocean is under threat from human activity Explore different habitats that are at risk - coral What is the impact of activity on ocean life.</p>	<p><b>Topic:</b> China</p> <p><b>Key questions:</b></p> <p><b>Key skills and knowledge:</b></p> <p><b>Assessment outcomes:</b></p> <p><b>Pre and post topic assessments.</b></p>

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<p>• To identify and name a range of physical features.</p> <p>• To describe features of different parts of the UK.</p> <p>3) What is the history of London?</p> <p>• Who the Romans were (sailed across to Britain 2000 years ago, built a city called Londinium, built a wall around it to protect them, built markets, roads, canals and government buildings).</p> <p>• Who the Anglo-Saxons were (7 Kingdoms, Viking invasions, King Alfred recaptured London, he created laws, armies and began trading things for money).</p> <p>• Who the Normans were (built castles like Windsor Castle and the Tower of London).</p> <p>• Explain the circumstances of the Second World War.</p> <p>• Review photos and eyewitness accounts.</p> <p>4) How do people move around in London.</p>	<p>• The United Kingdom is in the continent of Europe.</p> <p>• Majority of European countries densely populated - population of 741 million.</p> <p>3) What is Australia like?</p> <p>• Zooming into Australia and exploring flora and fauna.</p> <p>• Sometimes called Australasia or Oceania.</p> <p>• Identifying key physical features.</p> <p>4) What is Africa like?</p> <p>• Identifying Africa on a map and picking out some of the physical features in different parts of the country.</p> <p>• The oldest human fossils and skeletons have been found in Africa.</p> <p>• Population of 1.2 billion.</p> <p>5) What is Asia like?</p> <p>• The largest continent.</p> <p>• It contains the most people (largest population).</p> <p>• Includes several mega-cities (e.g. Tokyo in Japan, Beijing in China, Delhi in India). Key</p>	<p>• Contains the longest river, highest waterfall, and the longest mountain range.</p> <p>• Contains the world's largest rainforest (the Amazon rainforest).</p> <p>• Key landmarks Population of 422 million.</p> <p>8) What is Antarctica like?</p> <p>• Third smallest continent.</p> <p>• Extremely cold, covered in ice-contains 90% of the world's ice.</p> <p>• Doubles in size in winter when the seas freeze.</p> <p>• No humans live in Antarctica permanently-temporary population of 5000.</p> <p>• The Antarctic Treaty.</p> <p>9) How is Alaska different to Cornwall?</p> <p>• What are the physical features of Cornwall.</p> <p>• What are the physical</p>	<p>3) How deep is the ocean?</p> <p>5 layers of the ocean (sunlight, twilight, midnight, abyss, trench) What bioluminescence is Bioluminescent animals Identifying 3-4 facts about each layer.</p> <p>4) Why are our oceans important?</p> <p>Ocean covers 70% of our earth Importance of the ocean- habitat to animals; oxygen; food; medicine; weather pattern; transportation.</p> <p>5) What lives in the ocean?</p> <p>What a habitat is- pupils will learn about 4 habitats (coral reef, oyster reef, kelp forest, open ocean) What a mammal is, examples of marine mammals What a mollusc is, examples of molluscs What a crustacean is, example of crustaceans What fish are, what gills are, examples of fish.</p> <p><b>Assessment outcomes:</b></p> <p><b>Pre and post topic assessments.</b></p>	<p>8) How are people protecting the oceans?</p> <p>Exploring the role of NGOs in protecting the oceans Case study of sea turtles and how people are protecting them in Indonesia.</p> <p>9) How can we protect our oceans? Plastic in the ocean How plastic got into the ocean How to reduce plastic waste and what actions pupils can take.</p> <p>10) Campaigning to protect the oceans. What action could the government take to save the oceans Explore three different policies that would protect the oceans Create a thirty second video asking the government to take action on one of these.</p> <p><b>Assessment outcomes:</b></p> <p><b>Pre and post topic assessments.</b></p>	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• History of River Thames (Romans built Londinium next to the river to allow transportation of goods).</li> <li>• Identify different types of transport (tube, buses, city cycles, taxi).</li> <li>• How to read an Underground map.</li> <li>• Identifying interchanging stations on an Underground map.</li> </ul> <p>5) What are the landmarks in London?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identifying London landmarks.</li> <li>• Facts about key landmarks.</li> <li>• Where the Queen lives.</li> </ul> <p><b>Assessment outcomes:</b></p> <p><b>Pre and post topic tests.</b></p>	<p>human features in Asian cities.</p> <p><b>Assessment outcomes:</b></p> <p><b>Pre and post topic tests.</b></p>	<p>features of Alaska.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How are they different.</li> </ul> <p>10) How is Alaska similar to Cornwall?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are the human features of Cornwall.</li> <li>• What are the human features of Alaska.</li> <li>• How are they different.</li> </ul> <p><b>Assessment outcomes:</b></p> <p><b>Pre and post topic assessments.</b></p>			
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