





Geographical Concepts – Key Stage 2



	What does it mean?	Why do we learn it?
Locational Knowledge 	It means understanding where places are both locally and within world. It is about being able to recall their locations, features and characteristics.	This helps us to locate places both locally and globally and equips us with the skills to find and identify locations using maps, atlases and globes.
Place Knowledge 	This involves understanding what different places, both locally and around the world, are like by exploring their similarities and differences.	This helps us appreciate the unique characteristics of various places and understand how they compare and contrast with one another.
Human and Physical Geography 	Physical Geography focuses on the natural parts of the Earth like mountains, rivers, oceans and landscapes. It helps us understand how natural processes shape our planet. Human Geography explores how people live and interact with their environment. It includes cities, cultures, economies and how we build things like roads, bridges and communities.	It helps us understand the world around us. Physical Geography shows us how nature shapes our planet. Human Geography shows us how people build and change the world around us. When we look at both together, we get to see how the world is formed and how humans influence and adapt to their surroundings.
Geographical Skills and Fieldwork 	<p>This involves using tools like maps, atlases and globes to locate places and understand their features. It also includes reading and interpreting data such as graphs and charts. We learn to use compass points, grid references and key symbols to find exact locations and understand maps better.</p> <p>We go out into the environment to collect information directly. It might include observing and recording features in the local area, taking measurements and using compass directions and grid references to map out what we find.</p>	It helps us become confident and curious geographers and deepen our understanding of the world around us in a hands-on way.