



Year 7 Geography – Programme of Study

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
Topics/ Ideas	Map Skills	Rivers	Coasts	Africa and Uganda	Weather and Climate	Fantastic Places
Key Knowledge	Year 7 geographers learn the knowledge and skills within map skills which include measurements, compass directions, grid references, contour lines, scale drawings and map symbol interpretation. These skills enhance geospatial understanding of the UK's human and physical landscapes.	Students will develop an in-depth understanding of the river regime, including the hydrological cycle and catchment basin changes that shape river landscapes. A study of the long and cross profiles of a river as it flows downstream. Exploration of the causes, impacts, and mitigation strategies of river flooding.	Knowledge of the coastal zone, including human use of the coastline and the natural processes that shape it. Coastal management strategies, and the impacts of coastal erosion on communities. Socio-economic and political implications of coastal erosion and the role of the government in addressing these issues.	Examining the perceptual and cartographic representations of Africa and its diverse biomes. Investigation of the historical geography of Africa. Analysis of conservation and sustainable development issues such as tourism and trophy hunting. Analysis and evaluation of the geology, landforms, climate and development of Uganda.	Investigation into the distinction between weather and climate. Introduction to methods of measuring and recording the weather. Exploration of microclimates, focussing on the influences of local factors. Comprehensive understanding of various types of rainfall and factors that contribute to different weather systems.	The study of fantastic places include the seven wonders of the world and the geography of Madagascar, Easter Island, the Sahara Desert, and the polar environment. Analyse the concepts of ecosystem, environmental change, sustainability and human-nature interaction while developing geographic skills such as map reading and data analysis.

Further information and reading list

The following textbooks are used to support learning in Year 7

- Geog.1 - Map Skills, Africa, Rivers
- Geog.2 - Weather and Climate
- Collins World Atlas
- Fiction Books – [click here](#)

Links to useful websites

- BBC Bitesize - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zrw76sg>
- Education Quizzes - <https://www.educationquizzes.com/ks3/geography/>
- BBC Teach - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/ks3-geography/zjhbq3>

Ways to support and extend student learning in this subject:

- A complimentary book to enhance students learning is the Collins all in one complete revision and practice. Ideal for years 7, 8 and 9.
- Encourage your child to watch geographically theme programmes e.g., David Attenborough documentaries available on BBC iPlayer.
- Consider having an atlas or world map in your home.
- Engage in family discussions about key topical issues, both on the current topic being studied or general themes.
- Encourage and support your child to experiment with revision techniques early e.g., making revision flashcards and mind maps of key terms and definitions.