



Barcombe - Hamsey – Plumpton – Iford & Kingston Skylark Federation

Skylark Curriculum - Explore



Explore- KS1		
Home 2023-24	Water 2024-25	Danger 2025-26
Geography	Geography	Geography
 Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to: i. key physical features, including: beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, valley, vegetation, season and weather ii. key human features, including: city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour and shop Use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of their school and its grounds and the key human and physical features of its surrounding environment. Name and locate the world's 7 continents and 5 oceans. Name, locate and identify characteristics of the 4 countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas. 	Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the United Kingdom, and of a small area in a contrasting non-European country (Rainforest. Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries, as well as the countries, continents and oceans studied at this key stage. Use simple compass directions (North, South, East and West) and locational and directional language to describe the location of features and routes on a map. Use aerial photographs and plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features; devise a simple map; and use and construct basic symbols in a key.	Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom and the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles.



Year A	Year B	Year C
<u>Term 3</u> Y1/2 local study of village, town, city in Sussex; local coastline Y2/3 UK geography – UK countries, capital cities and surrounding seas	<u>Term 3</u> Y1/2 Amazon Rainforest – comparing our locality to a region of the Amazon Y2/3 compare our locality and the rainforest – rivers and climate focus (weather data)	<u>Term 3</u> Y1/2 Geography of the poles eg location, weather patterns Y2/3 geography of, weather patterns at , danger at the poles and danger of deserts (Shackleton/Scott)
<u>Term 4</u> Y1/2 7 continents and 5 oceans Y2/3 UK mountain ranges, rivers and coasts	<u>Term 4</u> Y1/2 compass and fieldwork Y2/3 planning a cruise (North American waterway)	<u>Term 4</u> Y1/2 disaster in the poles (flooding, sea level rise, loss of habitat) Y2/3 field work and local flooding
Explore- KS2		
Home	Water	Danger
2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Geography	Geography	Geography
Locational Knowledge	Human and Physical Geography	Human and Physical Geography
Name and locate counties and cities of the United Kingdom, geographical regions and their identifying human and physical	Describe and understand key aspects of: Physical geography, including: climate zones,	Describe and understand key aspects of:





biomes and vegetation belts, rivers (Cuckmere Physical geography, including: Mountains, characteristics, key topographical features Haven) and the water cycle. volcanoes and earthquakes. (including hills, mountains, coasts and rivers), and land-use patterns; and understand how some of these aspects have changed over Geographical skills and fieldwork time **Place Knowledge** use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries Human and Physical Geography and describe features studied Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and Describe and understand key aspects of: physical geography of a region of the United use the eight points of a compass, four and six-figure grid references, symbols and key Human geography, including: types of Kingdom, a region in a European country, and settlement and land use, economic activity a region in North or South America (Amazon (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps) including trade links, and the distribution of Rainforest). to build their knowledge of the United Kingdom and the wider world natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water. Locational knowledge use fieldwork to observe, measure, record and Geographical skills and fieldwork Locate the world's countries, using maps to present the human and physical features in focus on Europe (including the location of the local area using a range of methods, use maps, atlases, globes and Russia) and North and South America. including sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital/computer mapping to locate countries concentrating on their environmental regions, digital technologies. and describe features studied key physical and human characteristics, countries, and major cities. use the eight points of a compass, four and six-figure grid references, symbols and key Geographical skills and fieldwork (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps) to build their knowledge of the United Kingdom use maps, atlases, globes and and the wider world digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied use fieldwork to observe, measure, record and present the human and physical features in use the eight points of a compass, four and the local area using a range of methods, six-figure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps) including sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital technologies. to build their knowledge of the United Kingdom and the wider world



	use fieldwork to observe, measure, record and present the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital technologies.	
Year A	Year B	Year C
Term 3Y4/5 ripple effect – local area housing and amenities; impact of development on local areaY5/6 ripple effect – school/village fieldwork → Sussex → compare Ouse Valley with Loire Valley (Lewes twin town Blois); 6-fig grid references; climate graphs	<u>Term 3</u> Y4/5 water cycle; parts of a river; River Ouse Y5/6 biomes, climate zones, Amazon case study (South America); trophic cascades (North America); coastal erosion	<u>Term 3</u> Y4/5 mountains, volcanoes, earthquakes, tsunami; OS maps, contour lines Y5/6 mountains, volcanoes, earthquakes, tsunami; OS maps, contour lines
<u>Term 4</u> Y4/5 aerial maps of change over time in local area; 4-fig grid references; atlas work Y5/6 populations change and refugee crisis; UK energy production	<u>Term 4</u> Y4/5 fieldwork; compass work; 4-fig grid references; atlas work Y5/6 6-fig grid references; climate graphs; atlas work; Rhine, Danube (Europe)	<u>Term 4</u> Y4/5 fieldwork; compass work; 4-fig grid references; atlas work Y5/6 deforestation and the effects of over- population; fieldwork; compass work; 4-fig grid references; atlas work
Explore- KS1 Design Technology		
Home 2023-24	Water 2024-25	Danger 2025-26
Design and Technology	Design and Technology	Design and Technology



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Design	Design	Design
Design purposeful, functional, appealing	Design purposeful, functional, appealing	Design purposeful, functional, appealing
products for themselves and other users	products for themselves and other users	products for themselves and other users
based on design criteria	based on design criteria	based on design criteria
Generate, develop, model and communicate	Generate, develop, model and communicate	Generate, develop, model and communicate
their ideas through talking, drawing, templates,	their ideas through talking, drawing, templates,	their ideas through talking, drawing, templates
mock-ups and, where appropriate, information	mock-ups and, where appropriate, information	mock-ups and, where appropriate, information
and communication technology	and communication technology	and communication technology
Make	Make	Make
Select from and use a range of tools and	Select from and use a range of tools and	Select from and use a range of tools and
equipment to perform practical tasks	equipment to perform practical tasks	equipment to perform practical tasks
Select from and use a wide range of materials	Select from and use a wide range of materials	Select from and use a wide range of materials
and components, including construction	and components, including construction	and components, including construction
materials, textiles and ingredients, according	materials, textiles and ingredients, according	materials, textiles and ingredients, according
to their characteristics	to their characteristics	to their characteristics
Evaluate	Evaluate	Evaluate
Explore and evaluate a range of existing	Explore and evaluate a range of existing	Explore and evaluate a range of existing
products	products	products
Evaluate their ideas and products against design criteria	Evaluate their ideas and products against design criteria	Evaluate their ideas and products against design criteria
Technical Knowledge	Technical Knowledge	Technical Knowledge
Explore and use mechanisms [For example, levers, sliders, wheels and axels], in their products.	Explore and use mechanisms [For example, levers, sliders, wheels and axels], in their products.	Explore and use mechanisms [For example, levers, sliders, wheels and axels], in their products.
Cooking & Nutrition	Build structures, exploring how they can be made stronger, stiffer and more stable	Build structures, exploring how they can be made stronger, stiffer and more stable



Use the basic principles of a healthy and varied diet to prepare dishes. Understand where food comes from	Explore and use mechanisms, in their products. Cooking & Nutrition Use the basic principles of a healthy and varied diet to prepare dishes.	Cooking & Nutrition Use the basic principles of a healthy and varied diet to prepare dishes.
Year A	Year B	Year C
Y1/2 jewellery box (focus on hinges) & home- themed STEM challenge Y2/3 family car (axles and wheels) with textile cushion for a soft toy & home-themed STEM challenge	Y1/2 Build shelter for creature & STEM boats (focus on materials' suitability) Y2/3 Build boats with a waterproof shelter on top (focus on materials) & STEM boats	Y1/2 Polar animal (moving limbs) & floating garden (see practical action website) Y2/3 Pop-up animal & floating garden – restricted materials
Food technology: R/Y1 Crumble Easter nest Y1/2 Soup Pancake toppings or Easter biscuits	Food technology: R/Y1 Valentine's biscuits Easter nest Y1/2 Sandwiches Pancake toppings or Easter biscuits	Food technology: R/Y1 Chinese stir fry Easter nest Y1/2 Scones Pancake toppings or Easter biscuits
Explore- KS2 Design Technology		
Home 2023-24	Water 2024-25	Danger 2025-26



Design and Technology	Design and Technology	Design and Technology
Design:	Design:	Design:
Use research and develop design criteria to	Use research and develop design criteria to	Use research and develop design criteria to
inform the design of innovative, functional,	inform the design of innovative, functional,	inform the design of innovative, functional,
appealing products that are fit for purpose,	appealing products that are fit for purpose,	appealing products that are fit for purpose,
aimed at particular individuals or groups.	aimed at particular individuals or groups.	aimed at particular individuals or groups.
Generate, develop, model and communicate	Generate, develop, model and communicate	Generate, develop, model and communicate
their ideas through discussion, annotated	their ideas through discussion, annotated	their ideas through discussion, annotated
sketches, cross-sectional and exploded	sketches, cross-sectional and exploded	sketches, cross-sectional and exploded
diagrams, prototypes, pattern pieces and	diagrams, prototypes, pattern pieces and	diagrams, prototypes, pattern pieces and
computer-aided design.	computer-aided design.	computer-aided design.
Make:	Make:	Make:
Select from and use a wider range of tools and	Select from and use a wider range of tools and	Select from and use a wider range of tools and
equipment to perform practical tasks [for	equipment to perform practical tasks [for	equipment to perform practical tasks [for
example, cutting, shaping, joining and	example, cutting, shaping, joining and	example, cutting, shaping, joining and
finishing], accurately.	finishing], accurately.	finishing], accurately.
Select from and use a wider range of	Select from and use a wider range of	Select from and use a wider range of
materials and components, including	materials and components, including	materials and components, including
construction materials, textiles and	construction materials, textiles and	construction materials, textiles and
ingredients, according to their functional	ingredients, according to their functional	ingredients, according to their functional
properties and aesthetic qualities.	properties and aesthetic qualities.	properties and aesthetic qualities.
Evaluate:	Evaluate:	Evaluate:
Investigate and analyse a range of existing	Investigate and analyse a range of existing	Investigate and analyse a range of existing
products	products	products
Evaluate their ideas and products against their own design criteria and consider the views of others to improve their work.	Evaluate their ideas and products against their own design criteria and consider the views of others to improve their work.	Evaluate their ideas and products against their own design criteria and consider the views of others to improve their work.



Understand how key events and individuals in design and technology have helped shape the world.	Understand how key events and individuals in design and technology have helped shape the world.	Understand how key events and individuals in design and technology have helped shape the world.
Technical Knowledge:	Technical Knowledge:	Technical Knowledge:
Apply their understanding of how to strengthen, stiffen and reinforce more complex structures.	Apply their understanding of how to strengthen, stiffen and reinforce more complex structures.	Apply their understanding of how to strengthen, stiffen and reinforce more complex structures.
Understand and use mechanical systems in their products [for example, gears, pulleys, cams, levers and linkages].	Understand and use electrical systems in their products [for example, series circuits	Apply their understanding of computing to program, monitor and control their products.
Understand and use electrical systems in their	incorporating switches, bulbs, buzzers and motors].	Cooking and Nutrition:
products [for example, series circuits incorporating switches, bulbs, buzzers and motors].	Cooking and Nutrition:	Understand and apply the principles of a healthy and varied diet.
Apply their understanding of computing to program, monitor and control their products.	Understand and apply the principles of a healthy and varied diet.	Prepare and cook a variety of predominantly savoury dishes using a range of cooking techniques.
Cooking and Nutrition:	Prepare and cook a variety of predominantly savoury dishes using a range of cooking techniques.	Understand seasonality, and know where and how a variety of ingredients are grown, reared, caught and processed.
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Y4/5 Build homes with light mechanism & STEM Squashed tomato challenge – Practical Action website Y5/6 Emergency backpack (with light that can be switched on) & STEM Squashed tomato challenge (limited resources) – Practical Action website	Y4/5 Bridges – use Plan Bee resources & STEM Day boats Y5/6 Opening Bridges (as Y4/5 but extend to independent design and build) & STEM Day boats Textiles: cushion cover on a water theme	Y4/5 Make earthquake-proof structure & STEM, Beat the Flood (see Practical Action website) Y5/6 Make tsunami-proof structure & STEM, Beat the Flood (as Y4/5 but more water applied)!
Food technology: Y2/3 Soup Pancake toppings or Easter biscuits Y4/5 and Y5/6 Cottage pie Hot cross buns or pancakes	Food technology: Y2/3 Sandwiches Pancake toppings or Easter biscuits Y4/5 and Y5/6 Bread Hot cross buns or pancakes	Food technology: Scones Pancake toppings or Easter biscuits Y4/5 and Y5/6 Muffins Hot cross buns or pancakes