Year 1: Geography Our Wonderful World Knowledge Organiser

Subject Specific Vocabulary	
Geography	The study of the world and its people and places.
atlas	A book of maps.
globe	A 3-D map in the shape of a sphere
continent	A large area of land. There are 7 continents
country	Land that is controlled by one government.
city	A large and important town where lots of people live.
maps	A map is a drawing of an area of land or sea that has usually been drawn from above. Globes and atlases are forms of maps.
key	A list of symbols that appear on a map.

World Map

This map shows the 7 continents and 5 oceans of the world.

The equator is an imaginary line around Earth. It divides Earth into the Northern Hemisphere and the Southern Hemisphere.



Countries of the UK

The United Kingdom is made up of 4 countries.

England	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
			
London	Cardiff	Edinburgh	Belfast

Human Features

Human features are made by people to help them live in a place or move around from one place to another. They include cities, towns, villages, factories, farms, roads, bridges, houses, offices, ports, harbours and shops.


road


bridge


house


shop


factory


farm

Physical Features

Physical features are natural features that are not made by people. They include beaches, cliffs, coastlines, forests, hills, mountains, seas, oceans, rivers, valleys and lakes.


cliff


coastline


forest


mountain

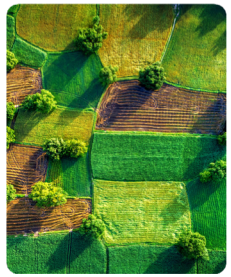

hill


lake

Aerial photograph

An aerial photograph is taken from the air by an aeroplane, drone or satellite. A vertical aerial photograph is taken from straight above to give a 'bird's eye view' of the ground.





Sketch Maps

A sketch map is a simple drawing used to roughly show a landscape. It is not drawn to scale. It usually includes a title, symbols and a key.



Positional and Directional language

Positional language helps to describe where things are. Use words such as in front, beside, behind, next to and opposite. Directional language helps us move around a map. Use words such as forwards, backwards, left, right and straight ahead.