



EDUCATION
SOUTH WEST

ESW Geography Curriculum
Lesson Progression Document

Year 1	Lesson	Autumn	Spring	Summer
		Local Settlements: What does my local settlement look like?	Weather: Why is understanding the weather important?	The UK and London: What is the United Kingdom?
	1	What is a settlement?	What is weather?	What are villages, towns and cities?
	2	What is our local settlement like?	How does the weather affect us?	What villages and towns are around me?
	3	What are human and physical features?	How do we forecast the weather?	What is a city?
	4	What are symbols on a map?	What is dangerous weather?	What is London?
	5	What does my settlement look like on a map?	Where is the climate hot, where is it cold?	What is a country?
	6	What is a compass?	What is it like in the Arctic?	What is the United Kingdom?

Year 2	Lesson	Autumn	Spring	Summer
		Oceans and Continents: What is the Blue Planet?	Brazil: What is it like living in Brazil?	Climate and Weather: How do climates differ around the world?
	1	What is a continent?	Where is Brazil?	Where is Earth's water?
	2	What are the physical features of each continent?	What is the landscape like in Brazil?	What makes up the weather?
	3	What wildlife is native to each continent?	What is the climate and weather like in Brazil?	How do climates differ around the world?
	4	What is an ocean?	What is life like in urban Brazil?	Why does the UK have wild weather?
	5	What wildlife is native to each ocean?	What is life like in rural Brazil?	What is the reason for the seasons?
	6	How can we protect our oceans?	What is life like as a child growing up in Brazil?	Why is the world's weather changing?

Year 3	Lesson	Autumn	Spring	Summer
		Maps: What can we read from a map?	Natural Resources: Is our use of natural resources sustainable?	Mountains, Volcanoes and Earthquakes: Why is the Earth's landscape so different?
	1	What is latitude and longitude?	What are natural resources?	What is the Earth made of?
	2	What is a time zone?	Why do we use more natural resources now than in the past?	What are tectonic plates?
	3	What is the equator?	What natural resources can be found in Chile?	How are mountains formed?
	4	Where are the key cities in the UK?	What natural resources can be found in the UK?	How and why do earthquakes occur?
	5	What is a four-figure grid reference?	What happens if we use too many natural resources?	How are volcanoes formed?
	6	What are the key features on a map?	Why do we need to protect our natural resources?	How is climate change affecting the world's landscapes?

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	Year 4		Settlements: Where and how do people live?	Migration: Are all migrants forced to leave their homes?
1		What are informal settlements and where are they found?	What is migration?	What are rivers?
2		Why and how do informal settlements develop?	What are the different types of migration?	How does the river Dart/Exe change from source to mouth?
3		How are Rocinha and Dharavi similar and different?	How does migration affect places and people?	How do rivers shape the land?
4		What challenges do people living in informal settlements face?	What is economic migration?	Why are rivers such an important part of the water cycle?
5		How can life in informal settlements be improved?	What is a refugee?	Why are rivers so important to people?
6		How can crime be tackled in informal settlements?	How can climate change affect migration?	What are the features of my local river?

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	Year 5		Biomes: Where is the World's Wildlife?	Natural Disasters: Why can natural disasters be so devastating?
1		Where are the Earth's Biomes?	What is the structure of the earth?	What is sustainability?
2		What affects an ecosystem?	How do earthquakes and tsunamis form?	How do we produce energy?
3		What is the tundra?	How do earthquakes and tsunamis affect the land?	What is special about Curitiba?
4		What is the taiga?	How do earthquakes and tsunamis affect people?	How did Freiburg become more sustainable?
5		What is the Savanna?	What is international aid?	How will we produce and use energy differently in the future?
6		How are biomes being damaged?	How does climate change affect natural disasters?	How sustainable is my community?

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	Year 6		Local Fieldwork Unit: How sustainable is my local area?	Japan: What are the similarities/differences between Japan and the UK?
1		What is fieldwork?	Where is Japan located?	What happens in the water cycle?
2		How is data collected?	What are the physical features of Japan?	Why is water important and how is it used?
3		What are we going to investigate?	How are the physical features different/the same to the UK?	What happens if there is too much water?
4		How are we going to investigate it?	What are four figure grid references and how do we use them?	What happens if there is not enough water?

	5	The investigation	What can we tell from thematic maps?	Why is there an increase in flooding in the UK?
	6	What did our investigation show?	What have I learnt about Japan?	How is climate change affecting the world's rivers?

Human:	Settlement and population	Resources	Mountains and Tectonics
Physical:	Weather and Climate	Ecosystems, Rivers and Coasts	Economic Activity