

Powerstock Geography Curriculum Overview

Please note, some units are currently under development.

Year A	<u>Autumn Term</u>	Spring Term	<u>Summer Term</u>
Year A Burton	 What's the Geography of where I live like? What is geography all about? Whereabouts in the United Kingdom do I live? What does the Geographical Information System (GIS) on Google Earth tell me about the geography of the local area? What are the main land uses within my local area? How can we introduce people to the physical and human geography of our local area? 	How does the Geography of Kampong Ayer compare with where I live? • How does the location of Kampong Ayer compare with where I live? • How do people's homes at Kampong Ayer compare with mine? • How does the weather at Kampong Ayer compare with the weather where I live? • How do people in Kampong Ayer travel around compared with how people travel around where I live? • How does going to school in Kampong Ayer compare with my school? • How does the natural environment around Kampong Ayer compare with the natural environment around where I live? • How does Geographic Information System (GIS) imagery of Kampong Ayer compare with GIS imagery of where I live?	 Why do we love being beside the seaside so much? How is the seaside different from other places? How do people enjoy themselves at the seaside? What else did Sally find living in the rock pools at Wembury? How do people affect the beach at Wembury? Whereabouts in the world is Wembury? How have our seaside holidays changed since the 1970s?
Learning outside the Classroom	Village walks		Coastal visit – mapping, tourism, environmental. Visit Burton Bradstock?



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Year A Cogden	Beyond the Magic Kingdom: what is the Sunshine State really like? (region within North or South America) • Why is the Magic Kingdom the most popular theme park in the world? • Where is the Magic Kingdom? • Why did the great Maya civilisation of Central America come to an end? • Why do tourists come to the Magic Kingdom from some countries and not others?	Spring A How and why is my local environment changing? (locality study) • Why do places change? • How has my local area changed in the past? • How did my local area change as a result of World War I? • How and why does the quality of the environment change in my local area? • How do NASA satellite images inform us of	 Why do so many people live in megacities? What are megacities and where are they located? Why did Baghdad become the first city in the world with one million people? Why is Milton Keynes the United Kingdom's fastest-growing city?
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Learning outside the Classroom	Sunshine State different from where I live? • How to Floridians cope with hurricanes? •	Map studies of village and sketch maps of present day.	



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Year A Seatown	 How do volcanoes affect the lives of people on Hiemaey? Where does Saethor take his dog Tiry for a walk every day? Where do Saethor and Tirylive? Why are there so few trees on Hiemaey? Why are there volcanoes on Hiemaey? How were the people of Hiemaey affected when Eldfell erupted? Why do the people of Hiemaey go on living next to an active volcano? 	Oceans	 What is a river? How does the course of the River Axe change from source to mouth? How does the course of my local river change from source to mouth? Why are river estuaries such important places for wildlife? Why are rivers such an important part of the water cycle? How has the Isle of Dogs changed since the reign of Henry VIII? How did Bedrich use music to describe the course of his beloved national river?
Learning Outside the Classroom			



Year B	Autumn B	Spring B	Summer B
Year B Burton	 What is the weather? How do great artists paint the weather? How does the weather change through the four seasons of the year? Why isn't the weather the same everywhere in the world? How can Antarctica be a desert when it's the coldest place on earth? Why do we remember Captain Robert Scott and his friends Lawrence, Henry, Edward and Edgar? 	 Why don't penguins need to fly? Where is Pip's home and what do we find there? How are penguins able to survive in Antarctica? How does Antarctica compare with the Sahara Desert? How is the Arctic different from the Antarctic? Why are there no Polar Bears in Antarctica? Why do Marco and Polo find visiting each other so difficult? So why don't penguins need to fly? 	 Why does it matter where our food comes from? Where do dairy products come from? Why are there so many dairy farms in Devon? How does Quicke's Dairy Farm in Devon make cheese? How does our list of favourite fruit and vegetables compare with the favourites of other people? Why is it important to know all about sugar? Why do John and Rob have so many happy customers at their shops?
Learning outside the Classroom			Visit to local farm/farm shop



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Cogden	 What does being sustainable actually mean? How can we help to make our school more sustainable? Why are we seeing more wind and solar farms in the countryside? How is sustainable development helping the lapwing out of the red? How are solar cookers helping Sunita and her family to live more sustainably? 	 Why are jungles so wet and deserts so dry? Why is climate different across the United Kingdom? What are the world's climates? How do climate graphs help geographers compare the climate of one place with another? How does the climate affect the plants and animals living in a place? Why is the jungle of the Amazon Rainforest so wet and humid? Why is Arica the driest inhabited place on Earth? 	 Why do the biggest earthquakes not always cause the most damage? Why won't Paula and Richard forget 22 February 2011? How has New Zealand been affected by earthquakes in the past? Why does New Zealand have so many earthquakes? Why don't the largest earthquakes always cause the most death and destruction? Why do most volcanoes happen in the same places as earthquakes?
Learning outside the classroom	School environmental survey. School grounds habitat survey.		



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Year B Seatown	Allerford	 Why are mountains so important? Why are the three mountains of Olympus, Mauna Kea and Everest so famous? How were the world's greatest mountain ranges formed? Why is the legend of Mallory and Irvine the greatest unsolved mystery of mountaineering? Why did Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay find fossils of sea animals on the summit of Everest? How are the Cambrian Mountains different from the Himalaya Mountains? Why is the climate at Tynohir such a challenge for Roy? Why do tourists visit the Cambrian Mountains? How else is the precious resource of water used in the Cambrian Mountains? 	 Who are Britain's National Parks for? Why are National Parks described as Britain's 'breathing spaces'? What else makes National Parks so important? Why do National Parks welcome visitors? Why is protected land so important in South West England? Why are so many people attracted to The Valley of Rocks? Why is Merrivale such an important prehistoric site? Why are farmers so important in our National Parks?
Learning outside the classroom			Bus trip following the course of local river- field studies at various locations along it?