| Year Group 8 Geography Assessment Framework | | | | | |
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| Assessment Objective | Grade 1 | Grade 2-3 | Grade 4-5 | Grade 6-7 | Grade 8+ |
| Demonstrate Knowledge | Describe physical and human features of places studied Use newly learnt and recalled vocabulary specific to geography in written responses Begin to sequence simple geographical processes relating to weather and tectonics | Explain in simple terms the sequences of hazards that affect our earth Use key terms in context Draw upon prior knowledge to build upon for example the layers of the earth and how this can link to a tectonic hazard Begin to write like a geographer using key terms and measurements to support your answer with some data when presented with it | Link learning to prior knowledge building in complexity Begin to use case studies such as Haiti to support written responses to questions Explain geographic processes in some detail Differentiate between differences in similar processes for example tectonic hazards Have a clear understanding of key geographical terms such as weather and climate Use geographical language with fluency | Confidently use geographical terms in context and fluently Write in full paragraphs linking back to the question Begin to make links across topics and prior learning to inform and deepen understanding Begin to explain geographical processes in detail such as weather processes or tectonic hazards Use knowledge of place with ease mentioning countries and continents to support your answer Categorise elements of geography to include social, economic, environmental and political impacts | Ability to use place knowledge fluently and without explicit resources Show deep awareness of the world's countries through written and map work Begin to make links between places such as countries and continents- links to include social, economic, environmental or political Explain key geographical processes in detail and depth giving examples of case studies or from recent news events Show evaluation and some analysis using comparison |

| Geographical Understanding | Identify countries, continents and major cities with the use of an atlas or | To explain the positives and negatives of how humans interact | Explain why geographic processes occur Have good | Explain geographical processes in a methodical way with some insight as to | Make simple judgements and draw simple conclusions Draw on prior knowledge and other subject knowledge to |
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| | Use some abstract concepts such as lines of longitude and latitude with some fluency Begin to explain how people and the environment interact | with the environment Use a range of resources such as OS maps and graphs to support your answer Be able to categorise various impacts in a variety of ways with some simple justification | understanding of how physical geography can impact humans in a positive and negative way Describe locations and locations within it for example a continent and the countries found within it Suggest solutions for geographical hazards begin to explain the effectiveness of the solutions | why the event has happened. For example, why does country X experience earthquakes • Make links to other countries suggesting why they are similar or different- HIC's compared to LIC's • Use case studies and data to support answers giving clear evidence • Identify how people and animals have adapted to their environment | deepen understanding of place and processes Draw conclusions from data Explain in depth why and how an event has occurred Explain how people or the environment have adapted to their surroundings or particular geographic locations Identify challenges faced in certain environments and suggest solutions to those challenges giving clear geographic examples |

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| Geographical | Use simple graphs and charts to extract specific data related to a question Use OS maps to deepen map skills such as four figure grid reference Begin to use the eight-point compass with confidence Use simple maths when presented with data Annotations contain some key terms | Use OS maps and atlas with confidence Use the eight-point compass Interpret data from a variety of graphs such as pie charts, bar graphs and line graphs Create a variety of graphs such as bar charts and line graphs with axis supplied Answer simple questions using a variety of graphs and charts Use simple maths to start manipulating data | Confidently use scale, contours, six figure grid reference when present with OS maps Use basic maths to create data for example percentages to degrees to create a pie chart Create or complete graphs in a variety of forms drawing conclusions from the presented data Begin manipulating data using averages such as mean, mode, median | Confidently use OS maps in a variety of ways Able to locate place using a variety of techniques such as sixteen-point compass, contour lines and scale Able to measure distance on a map using skills such as using the straight-line technique Consistently using units of measurements in written responses Drawing graphs from a set of data with accuracy and precision | Use OS maps confidently and accurately to gain knowledge of place and location Begin to identify Geographical locations, landscapes and landforms on maps Crete a variety of graphs and charts and interpret data from the graphs and charts Identify anomalies and give simple reasons for the anomalies |

| Create own maps and key to present data in a geographic way Annotations should be detailed and using key geographic terms Compare sets of data | Manipulate data drawing conclusions from it Annotations are indepth and detailed using explicit geographical terms in context | Using units of measurements accurately and consistently Use locational knowledge and geographical understanding to describe locations Use direction when analysing photographs Annotations are in-depth using geographical terms |
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