

Geography - Progression in Vocabulary – Milestone 1

During Year 1 and Year 2, children should become familiar with the following words and begin to use them in appropriate contexts. Topics covered: *Locality (School and Village), Norway (Cold Climates), Locality and Environment (farming), Australia (Hot climates), Amazing places and spaces (Great Wall of China, Egyptian Pyramids, Amazon Rainforest, Rocky Mountains)*

Place names	Geographical terms and processes	Locational terms
Amazon Rainforest	adapt	Across
Antarctica	atlas	Antarctic Circle
Australia	autumn	Arctic
Belfast	building	Arctic Circle
Benington	bush	East
Boston	canopy	Eastern
Brazil	capital city	The Equator
Butterwick	cargo	hemisphere
Canada	castle	inside
Cardiff	city	local
China	climate	north
Earth	cloud	North Pole
Edinburgh	coast	northern
Egypt	continent	outside
England	coral reef	polar
English Channel	country	south
Europe	countryside	South Pole
Fishtoft	crop	southern
France	desert	west
Freiston	emergent	western
India	face	Prepositions and direction-finding terms
Ireland	farm	such as, above, around, below, left, right,
Irish Sea	field	forward, near, inside, opposite, outside
Lincolnshire	fjords	
London	flood	
Madagascar	foot	
Mexico	forest	
North Atlantic Ocean	forest floor	
Northern Ireland	freezing	
Norway	frosty	
River Thames	glacier	
Scotland	globe	
South Africa	ground	
Spain	habitat	
Skegness	hibernate	
Uluru	human	
United States of America	iceberg	
Wales	island	
The Continents: Antarctica, Africa, Asia, Europe, North America, Oceania and South America	lake	
	map	
	market	
	mining	
	misty	
	month	
	mountain	
	national park	
	ocean	
	office	
	outcrop	
	physical	
	plateau	
	population	
	rain	
	rainforest	
	recycling	
	ridge	
	route	
	savannah	
	season	
	shop	
	snow	

	snowline soil slope spring street summer summit sunshine symbol temperature thunderstorm town tree line tundra understory valley village warm waterfall wildlife wind windy winter The months of the year	
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Glossary

adapt: *find ways to survive in a place (such as using less water in a desert or keeping warm near the North Pole)*

capital city: *the city where a country's government is located such as London or Edinburgh*

continent: *a very large area of land*

country: *an area of land that has its own government, such as the UK or France*

crops: *plants that are grown to be used or sold (such as rice, corn or fruit)*

The Equator: *an invisible line that runs around the centre of the Earth, halfway between the North and South Poles*

feature: *something you would find in a place that is usually there (such as a hill or a house)*

habitat: *the natural home of an animal or plant*

hemisphere: *half of the globe*

map symbol: *a small picture on a map that shows you where different things are (such as a bus station or a school)*

ocean: *a huge area of salty water*

population: *the number of people living in a place*

rain gauge: *a tool you can use to show how much it has rained*

route: *how you get from one place to another (for example, "you walk up the hill and turn towards the school when you get to the top")*

rural: *a rural area has fewer people living there. Rural areas include the countryside, villages and hamlets.*

season: *a time of the year with a particular type of weather*

settlement: *a place where people live*

temperature: *how hot or cold it is*

wildlife: *the wild animals and plants in an area*