



# Yearly Overview-Year Three- Geography

	Focus	Areas to cover	Resources
<b>Autumn One</b>	Spatial Sense and Local Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Observe aerial/satellite photographs of the local area. Use these to identify settlements, physical features and points of interest. Discuss land-use types: parks, housing, industry, roads, and farms.</li> <li>Draw a map of the school grounds using basic symbols and a key. Use the map and the eight points of the compass to navigate around the school: north, south, east, west, northeast, southeast, northwest and southwest [Cross-curricular connection with Mathematics Year 4].</li> <li>Use a simple coordinate grid to describe the location of objects and places on a map, using the eight points of the compass. Introduce scale: for example, fifty paces = 5 cm on a map.</li> <li>Identify different types of residence, apartments, terraced housing, and detached houses.</li> <li>Understand features of the natural environment; Rivers, hills, coastline, vegetation, animals. Discuss ways in which the natural environment is managed and changed by people (e.g. park, farming, reservoir, urban drainage).</li> </ul>	<p>Jane Bingham, <i>Encyclopedia of World Geography</i>, (Usborne Publishing) 2010.</p> <p>Paul Humphrey, <i>Where You live: Around the School</i>, (Franklin Watts) 2007.</p> <p>Louise Spilsbury, <i>Mapping (Investigate Geography)</i> (Heinemann) 2010.</p> <p>Sally Hewitt, <i>Starting Geography: Maps</i> (Franklin Watts) 2009.</p>
<b>Autumn Two</b>	Western Europe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>France, Germany, The Netherlands (Holland), Belgium, Austria, Switzerland, Liechtenstein</li> <li>Climate and ecosystem; Humid temperate/broadleaf forest and alpine climate/ecosystem</li> <li>Landscape; Alps, central highlands, lowlands, Rivers (Rhone, Rhine, Seine, Danube), Dutch floodplains</li> <li>People and culture</li> <li>The European Union; Origins, members, trade, migration European Parliament in Brussels</li> <li>Settlements; Paris, Lyon, Berlin, Munich, Vienna, Zurich, Amsterdam, Brussels</li> <li>Economic activity; Agriculture, Industry (cars), Services (tourism, restaurants, hotels)</li> </ul>	<p><i>Starting Geography: Maps</i>, (Franklin Watts) 2006.</p> <p>Jane Bingham, <i>Encyclopedia of World Geography</i>, (Usborne Publishing) 2010.</p> <p>Madeline Donaldson, <i>Europe</i> (Learner Publishing Group) 2005.</p> <p>Sandra Newman, <i>Europe: New True</i></p>

			<p><i>Books: Geography</i>, (Children’s Press 2009.</p> <p>Molly Aloian &amp; Bobbie Kalman, <i>Explore Europe</i>, (CrabTree Publishing) 2007.</p>
<b>Spring One</b>	Settlements and Population	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify different types of settlement: hamlets, villages, towns, cities and conurbations.</li> <li>• Distinguish between rural, urban and sub urban areas.</li> <li>• Know that green belts are used to control urban growth.</li> <li>• Use a local map to identify the site and situation of local settlements. Where are settlements found? In valleys, along coasts and at river crossings. Why did people choose these locations? Access to water, farmland, wood or for defence.</li> <li>• Examine population density</li> <li>• Distinguish between areas where people are dispersed (rural) and crowded (towns and cities).</li> </ul>	<p>Anna Claybourne, <i>Peoples of the World</i>, (Usborne Publishing) 2011.</p> <p>Jane Bingham, <i>Encyclopedia of World Geography</i> (Usborne Publishing) 2010</p>
<b>Spring Two</b>	Rivers	<p><b>Understand the Water Cycle</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evaporation from the sea/lakes, condensation, precipitation, run-off and groundwater</li> <li>• Discuss the different paths that water takes.</li> <li>• Discuss how urban areas modify the drainage of water.</li> </ul> <p><b>River Basins</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understand that a river basin is an area of land drained by a river and its tributaries.</li> <li>• Identify features of a river basin: springs, mountain streams, channel, valley, floodplain, lakes, estuary, coastline</li> <li>• Follow the course of a river from source to mouth while using a map.</li> <li>• Discuss differences between mountain streams and lowland meandering rivers.</li> <li>• Identify Major Rivers and their Basins</li> </ul> <p><b>UK major rivers:</b> Thames, Trent, Severn, Tyne, Ouse</p>	<p>Ruth Thomson, <i>Your Local Area: Rivers</i>, (Wayland) 2010.</p> <p>Fred Martin, <i>Investigating Water and Rivers (Explore Geography)</i>, (Heinemann Library) 2006.</p> <p>Meredith Hooper, <i>River Story (Read and Discover)</i>, (Walker; Read and Discover edition) 2010.</p>

		<p>e, Great Ouse, Wye, Tweed, Exe</p> <p><b>Europe:</b> Volga, Danube, Rhine</p> <p><b>Asia:</b> Ob, Yellow (Huang He), Yangtze (Chang Jiang), Ganges, Indus, Tigris, Euphrates</p> <p><b>Africa:</b> Nile, Niger, Congo</p> <p><b>South America:</b> Amazon, Parana, Orinoco</p> <p><b>North America:</b> Mississippi, Missouri, Colorado, Rio Grande, Yukon, Mackenzie, Churchill</p> <p><b>Australia:</b> Murray-Darling</p>	<p>Stephanie Turnbull and Fiona Patchett, <i>Sticker atlas of Britain and Northern Ireland</i>, (Usborne Publishing) 2012.</p>
<p><b>Summer One</b></p>	<p>Asia (China, India and Japan)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learn that Asia is the largest continent, with the most populous countries in the world.</li> <li>• Himalayan mountain range includes some of the tallest mountains in the world. The tallest mountain is Mt. Everest.</li> <li>• Locate the following countries: China, India, Japan</li> </ul> <p>[Cross-curricular links with Year 3 History: World History: India, China and Japan] We recommend planning an extended project on India, China and Japan which covers both the history and the geography content.</p>	<p>Jane Bingham, <i>Encyclopedia of World Geography</i>, (Usborne Publishing) 2010.</p> <p>Mary Lindeen, <i>Asia (Earth's Continents)</i> (Children's World) 2010.</p> <p>Bobbie Kalman &amp; Rebecca Sjonger, <i>Explore Asia (Explore the Continents)</i>, (Crabtree Publishing) 2007.</p>
<p><b>Summer Two</b></p>			<p>Jane Bingham, <i>Encyclopedia of World Geography</i> (Usborne Publishing) 2010.</p> <p>Liz Dalby &amp; Kristeen Rogers, <i>Introduction to Asia</i>, (Usborne Publishing) 2005</p>