

Geography:

Maps and Atlas Skills

Year 6:

Autumn Term 1

Key Knowledge

7 Continents

- Asia
- Europe
- Africa
- Antarctica
- Australasia
- North America
- South America

Desert Regions

- Gobi Desert
- Sahara Desert (largest)
- Patagonian Desert
- Kalahari Desert
- Arabian Desert
- Great Basin Desert
- Syrian Desert
- Great Victorian Desert

The World



Know how to.....

- Use an atlas by using the index to find places
- Use some basic Ordnance Survey map symbols
- Use 6 – figure grid references
- Name the largest desert in the world and locate desert regions in an atlas.

Key Vocabulary

Spelling

Definition

Hemisphere

One half of the world

Grid reference

A combination of numbers and letters that allows you to describe the exact position of something on a map.

Key

A small description of the symbols used on a map.

Human feature

Features made by humans or that humans have changed or influenced.

Physical feature

A feature on Earth's surface that has been formed naturally (mountains, lakes, rivers)

Ordnance Survey

The national mapping agency for Great Britain.

Contour line

A line on a map showing the relief of the natural landscape.

Gradient

A slope or the steepness of slope.

Diagrams and Symbols

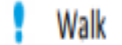
Ordnance Survey (OS) Map Symbols (1:50 000 scale)



Motorway



River



Walk



Primary route



Hill



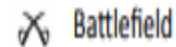
Buildings



Path



Mixed wood



Battlefield