

Unit Title: Hot and Cold places

Year Group: Year 2

Academic Year: 2024-2025

Geography Intent:

Prior Geographical Learning/Linked Topics: Year 1 - Children will recognise similarities and differences in the human and physical features of two areas in the United Kingdom (Windsor and Brighton)		Literacy Links The Write Stuff: A Lion in Paris (human and physical features of Paris).	Maths Links: Temperature, weather, measurement DT: Clay Models - African tiles/masks.
Locational Knowledge	Place Knowledge	Human and Physical Geography	Geographical Skills and Fieldwork
 Name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans. Name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas 	Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the United Kingdom, and of a small area in a contrasting non-European country.	Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom and the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles	Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries, as well as the countries, continents and oceans studied at this key stage
Lesson 1: Continents WALT: Understand and locate the continents of the world making reference to size and environment. Key Learning: Children will learn the names, locations, and key features of the seven continents. • All will name the continents with support. • Most will locate the continents on a world map.			Key Vocabulary: Weather Climate Thermometer Rain gauge Wind vane Compass
Some will describe key features of different continents.			☐ Hot place☐ Cold place☐ Equator



Lesson 2: North and South Poles

WALT: Locate the North and South Poles and understand what they are.

Key Learning: Children will identify the location and features of the North and South Poles.

- All will locate the North and South Poles on a map with support.
- Most will describe some physical features of the poles.
- Some will explain how animals survive in these cold environments.

Lesson 3: The Equator

WALT: Locate the Equator on a world map and understand what it is.

Key Learning: Children will explore the Equator's location and its hot, tropical climate.

- All will identify the Equator on a map with support.
- Most will describe some features of the Equator.
- Some will explain why countries near the Equator are generally hotter.

Lesson 4: Comparing the UK and Kenya

WALT: Compare the United Kingdom to Kenya.

Key Learning: Children will compare climate, landmarks, and ways of life in the UK and Kenya.

- All will identify Kenya and the UK on a world map.
- Most will describe some human and physical features of both regions.
- Some will explain key similarities and differences between the UK and Kenya.

Lesson 5: Local Weather

WALT: Investigate local weather conditions.

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South Pole

□ Desert

Arctic

Tropical climate

Polar climate

Southern Hemisphere

Northern Hemisphere

Seasons



 All will describe local weather conditions with support. Most will record local weather conditions accurately. Some will compare weather patterns in different climates. 	
Lesson 6: Hot and Cold Places	
WALT: Identify key features of hot and cold places. Key Learning: Children will explore the climate, landscape, and wildlife of hot and cold places.	
 All will describe simple features of hot and cold places. Most will locate one hot and one cold country on a world map. 	

Key Learning: Children will explore local weather patterns and understand the difference between weather and climate.

Some will explain why some countries are hotter or colder than others.

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