



Getting ready to move from your Primary School to Tudor Grange Samworth Academy!

"A Place for ALL to Flourish"



Name: _____

Geography transition booklet

Complete the activities to enable to learn about the geography of your local area, the United Kingdom and the wider world!

Topics you will cover are:

- What Geography have you already learnt?
- Your local area
- What is a map and types of map
- Sketching a map of your route to TGSA
- A UK passport, a brief introduction to the Geography of the UK
- Independent research of an ecosystem of your choice.

Extra:

Some geographically relevant films and documentaries on Netflix you could watch.



Firstly, what geography have you already learnt at your primary school?

Make a list of any Geography topics you have studied while in primary school below:

Things I have studied in Geography in primary school so far is...



Your local area: complete these boxes by researching your local area- use the internet to help you...

Location: *Imagine being a bird and flying over your area- draw a sketch map of the roads, shops and schools where you live.*

History of the area: *Find out what your area used to be 100 years ago and how it has changed up to 2020.*

Population: *key facts and figures.*

Employment: *Find out how many people work in your area and how many people don't work etc.*

Crime: *key facts and figures. What type of crime is most/least common in your area?*

Social activities: *What can adults and children do in your local area? i.e parks, pubs, restaurants, cinema etc.*

People's opinions: *What do people think about your local area and why?*

What does 'home' mean?

Write down as many ideas / words as you can think of when thinking of the term 'home'?

Can you think of 10 words?



Challenge - categorise your words into positive and negative (create a key to show this).

www.youtube.com/watch?v=i03dRWHbloQ

Add any new words you hear in green...

Look back at your words / ideas about home and create a list of synonyms and antonyms?

Original word	<u>Synonym</u> (means exactly or nearly the same as another word)	<u>Antonym</u> (a word opposite in meaning to another)
Safe	Secure	Insecure

Extension:

The antonym to place is placeless - a generic space that could be anywhere in the world. Can you give any examples of placeless places?

MAPS! MAPS! MAPS!

Maps are a significant part in the world of Geography and all of us should be able to know what a map is showing and how to locate landmarks etc.

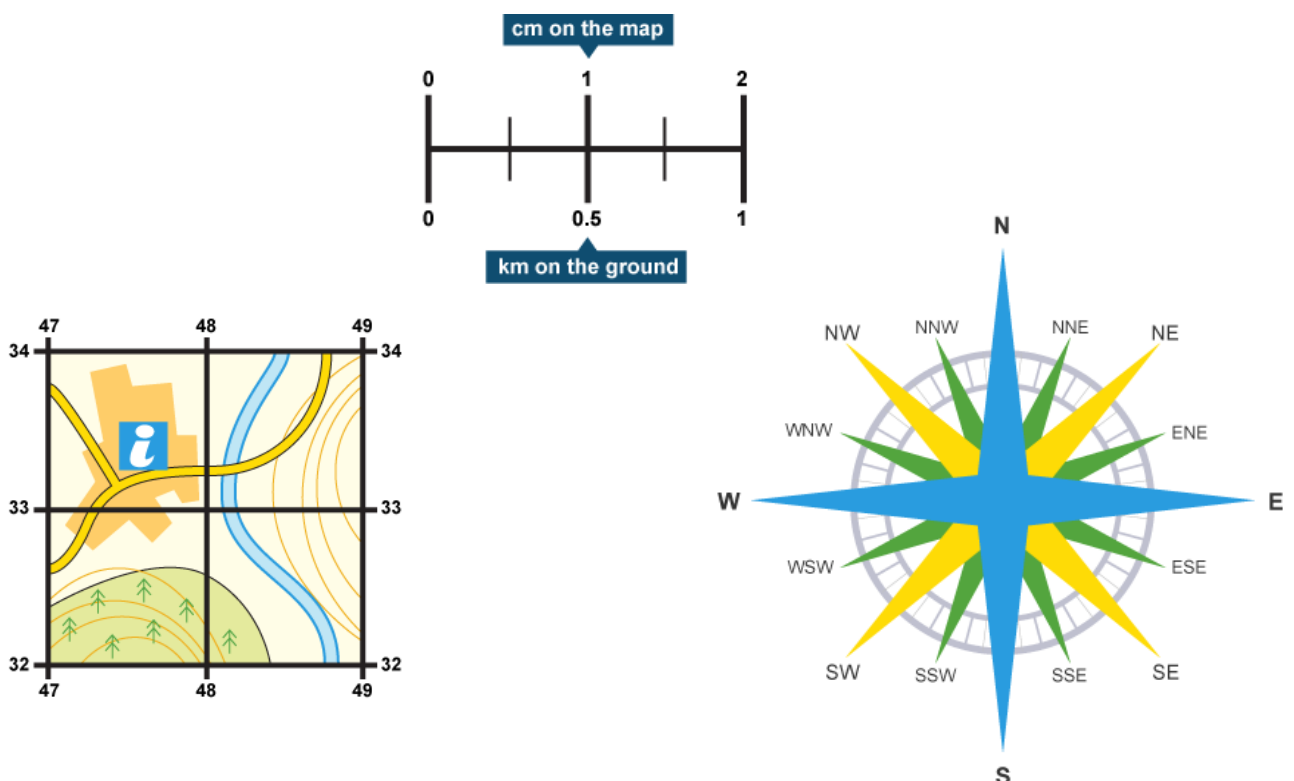
Links to use:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z6j6fg8/revision/2>

Using the 4 pages in the link above, create a mind map/spider-diagram, titled: ***'Everything we need to know about maps!'***

Around the spider diagram, read and write down information about the following:

1. Mapping tools
2. Map symbols
3. Compass directions (know this before you arrive at TGSA!)
4. Contours
5. Spot heights
6. Grid references & Scales



What is a map?

A map is a representation of the Earth's surface in a particular place. It shows how things are linked to each other by distance, direction and size. Maps are a way of showing many things about the Earth's surface on a flat piece of paper that can be carried and transported easily or viewed electronically.

Extension: How is a map different to a picture?

Task: using the internet research the four types of map listed below and use the research to complete the table.

Type of map	Sketch of map	What does it show?	Does it have symbols? Why?	Why would we use this map?	Could it ever change?
Political world map					
Ordnance survey map					
Weather map					
Relief map					

Mapping my route to secondary school:

Draw a map of your journey to TGSA in the space below. Use google maps to help you. It should include the following:

Road names/ Shops/ Roundabouts/ libraries/ sports clubs etc.

Challenge: Add your own grid references on top of your map.

Key

UK passport:

Complete the front page of your passport and then complete the next four pages with information on each of the 4 nations that make up the UK.



Passport

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

A picture of you!

Surname:

First names:

Date of birth:

Nationality:

Gender:

Place of birth:

Signature:

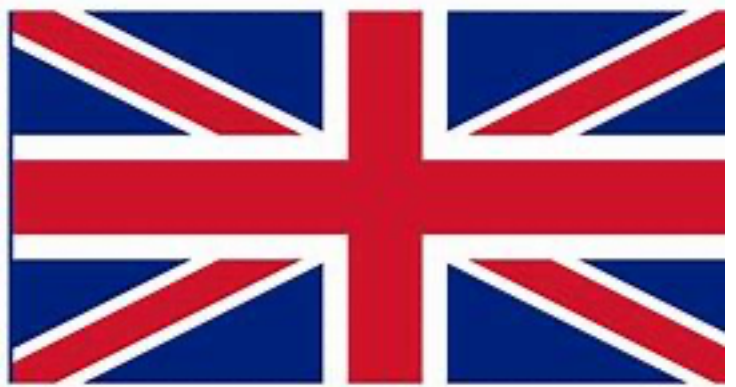
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The United Kingdom

The UK comprises of four separate nations; England, Wales, Northern Ireland and Scotland.

Although Boris Johnson is the UK's Prime minister, each nation has their own independent government as well.

On the next few pages, you are going to research specific facts about each of the four nations and complete the necessary fact files.





Country	England
Continent	
Population	
Capital city	
Currency	
Flag	
Languages spoken	
Climate	
Famous sights and landmarks	
Interesting facts	

Country	Scotland
Continent	
Population	
Capital city	
Currency	
Flag	
Languages spoken	
Climate	
Famous sights and landmarks	
Interesting facts	



Country	Wales
Continent	
Population	
Capital city	
Currency	
Flag	
Languages spoken	
Climate	
Famous sights and landmarks	
Interesting facts	



Country	Northern Ireland
Continent	
Population	
Capital city	
Currency	
Flag	
Languages spoken	
Climate	
Famous sights and landmarks	
Interesting facts	

Tropical rainforests
Deciduous forests



Hot deserts

Your final task:

We live in a world with many environments, containing thousands of species! What you will learn in the classroom will only be the beginning!

Choose an environment of your choice and find out the following information:

- Location
- Climate
- Plants and animals
- Population



Polar



Savannah



Tundra

Over to you...

Things I have learnt in this project:

Things I would like to learn in *Geography* this year are:

Have a Netflix account and wish to expand your knowledge of places and geography too?
You could consider watching any of these:

- **A playlist of Geographical Programs to spark your interest:**

- **Tectonics:**

- The Impossible: True story about the 2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami: Available on Netflix 12
- 72 Dangerous Places to Live: Netflix. Get up close and personal with avalanches, fiery volcanoes and other natural disasters and learn why some people choose to live in their destructive paths.
- Available on Netflix PG
- 2012: When a flood of natural disasters threatens to destroy the world, a divorced dad desperately attempts to save his family in this doomsday thriller: Available on Netflix 12
- Into the Inferno: With stunning views of eruptions and lava flows it captures the raw power of volcanoes. 12. Available on Netflix 12

- **Weather Hazards:**

- Before the Flood; Leonardo DiCaprio investigates the causes and effects of Climate Change

- **Urban Issues and Challenges:**

- Lion: An Indian man who was separated from his mother at the age of 5 and adopted by an Australian family return home determined to find his birth family. Available on Netflix; PG

- **Resource Management**

- The Boy who harnessed the wind: About water shortage in Malawi and a boy who makes a windmill to pump water.
- Cowspiracy: Investigate the food and meat industry Available on Netflix
- Rotten: Docuseries travels deep into the heart of the food supply chain to reveal unsavory truths: Available on Netflix 15

- **Living World:**

- Africa: Documentary series about Africa. Narrated by David Attenborough. Available on Netflix PG
- Our Planet: Stunning Attenborough series investigating the different biomes Available on Netflix PG
- Planet Earth and Planet Earth 2: Series exploring some of the world's different biomes. Available on Netflix PG.
- Blue Planet: Series exploring our oceans. Available on Netflix PG
- Wild Caribbean: Explore the turbulent natural history and rich diversity of the Caribbean islands. Available on Netflix U

- **General Geographical Knowledge**

- Race Across the World: BBC Series where contestants have to travel across central and south America avoiding planes. Sunday 8pm BBC2 or available on Iplayer.