

Year 8 Autumn Term 1

What are we learning?	What knowledge, understanding and skills will we gain?	What does excellence look like?	What additional resources are available?
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is an extreme environment? 2. What is the climate like in a desert? 3. What plants and animals are there in deserts? 4. Do people live in deserts? 5. How are deserts under threat? 6. What is the climate like in polar regions? 7. What animals exist in polar regions? 8. Do people live in polar regions? 9. How are polar regions under threat? 10. Assessment 	<p>This unit will require students to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of key geographical vocabulary • Become confident working with map: symbols, grid references, scales • Work on space and place on a variety of different scales • Practise extracting information from sources • Develop understanding of case studies • Practice decision making and justified evaluations • Encounter and start working with AO terminology <p>Students will gain skills around Maps, Graphs and using Geographical Language.</p>	<p>Contribution towards classroom discussion and activities, including taking an active part in roleplays and debates with the class and in smaller groups.</p> <p>Students will show in both assessments that they are able to apply with a good level of accuracy the skills that they have been learning throughout this half term.</p> <p>Students will work hard in lesson to practice the skills which will be assessed in lesson 4 and 9.</p>	<p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cTQ3Ko9ZKg8</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zNO0kxTCIYo</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LtibE0tm5t8</p> <p>Using the links above students can practice and revisit the skills they have been learning.</p> <p>Students should use their Knowledge Organisers to aid them with key terminology</p> <p>Students can use school atlases or can use maps at home to practice skills.</p> <p>Students could further their understanding of the wider topic by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a diary entry of a week in a particular extreme environment • Watching any episode of Frozen Planet (available on BBC iplayer) • Research specific countries in polar regions • Research specific countries in deserts