

OBHS Core Questions:

Subject: Geography

Year and Term: Year 7 Autumn 2

Topic: Amazing Places



Learn these questions to build a strong foundation of knowledge for this half-term. Ask family or friends to test you regularly, or practise on your own using the 'Look, Say, Cover, Write' method.

	Question	Answer
1	What is a map?	A map is a drawing of an area from above.
2	What does a key or legend on a map show?	It explains what the symbols on the map mean.
3	What are grid references used for?	To locate exact positions on a map.
4	What are the two types of grid references?	4-figure and 6-figure grid references.
5	What is a 4-figure grid reference?	It locates a square using 2 digits for eastings and 2 for northings.
6	What is a 6-figure grid reference?	It gives a precise location within a grid square.
7	What are the two rules when reading grid references?	1. Along the corridor then up the stairs 2. Bottom left corner
8	What does a scale on a map show?	The ratio between the distance on the map and in real life.
9	If 1cm = 1km, how far is 3cm on the map?	3 km
10	What is a compass used for?	To show direction.
11	Name the four cardinal compass points.	North, East, South, West
12	Name all 8 main compass points.	N, NE, E, SE, S, SW, W, NW
13	What direction is between North and East?	North-East (NE)
14	What direction is opposite South?	North
15	What is relief on a map?	The shape and height of the land.
16	What are contour lines?	Lines that show height and shape of land on a map.
17	What does it mean if contour lines are close together?	The land is steep.
18	What does it mean if contour lines are far apart?	The land is gentle or flat.

19	What unit is height usually shown in?	Metres (m)
20	What is spot height?	A point on the map showing the exact height at that location.
21	What is the symbol for a church with a tower on an OS map?	A small black square with a cross and a dot in the centre.
22	What does a blue line on a map usually represent?	A river or other water feature.
23	What does a green area on a map usually show?	Woodland or parkland.
24	What is the name of the horizontal lines on a grid?	Northings
25	What is the name of the vertical lines on a grid?	Eastings
26	How do you measure distance on a map?	Use a ruler and multiply by the scale.
27	What is an OS map?	Ordnance Survey map – a detailed map of the UK.
28	What does “relief shading” show?	Changes in height using colour shading.
29	What is a symbol?	A small picture or shape that represents something.
30	Why are map skills important?	They help us understand and navigate places.