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GRADE 7 GEOGRAPHY CURRICULUM GUIDE 2021 TERM 1

Content Organization:

All three aspects of Geography – Physical, Human and Mapwork Geography topics are covered during the 55 minutes period.

Semester 1 September To December	Duration -55 mins per session	Unit Title	Topic/content	Objectives	Teaching/learning strategy	Assessments
September 15-16	Week 1	Background to Geography	 Definition of Geography The importance of Geography The Themes of Geography 	Students should be able to: Tell what geography is Explain the importance of geography Name the five themes of geography (location, place, region, movement, human)	Research Collect newspaper articles relating to the different branches of geography	Scarp-booking: Group Work: Formative Assessment In groups of 4, analyze 4 photographs related to Geography. Indicate two aspects of the photograph that falls
September 22-23	Week 2		The main branches of Geography	 List the three main branches of geography: physical, human and quantitative geography Create flow charts to show the relationships between the sub-branches of Geography and the main branches. 	Charts/geography tree Semantic Webbing (Venn Diagrams) to show the relationship between the main branches and sub-branches. Scrapbook of	into the "Physical" or "Human" category. Justify why you place each aspect in each group. Summative: Quiz on the Branches and Sub-branches of
				Describe each branch of geography and give examples of career opportunities.	newspaper articles or pictures Photo – analysis to show the themes of Geography and Branches Role Playing (Tools of Geography) Place	Geography.

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September 29-30	Week 3	Methods of Geographical investigation:	Methods of collecting geographic data ✓ Questionnaires, interviews, observation, photographs, sketches, etc. • Construct and interpret tables from raw data	 List the tools/methods of collecting geographic data. Use at least one of the tools to collect geographic data Construct and interpret Tables from data collected Interpret geographical data from photographs 	students in groups and assign each group a tool on which they will do a creative presentation on the characteristics of these tools. Examine statistical tools (Interview Schedule and Questionnaire)	Formative Assessment: ■ Small Presentation on tools in Geography (Group work)
October 6-7	Week 4	Introduction to mapwork	Types of maps	Define the term map Explain the significance of a map List the essential features of a map and the purpose of each feature (title, scale, key/legend, north line, border/frame	Discussion Map Analysis	Summative Assessment: Quiz on the Types of Maps and Tools of Geography.

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			 Identify the different types of maps (and their uses: physical, political, economic, climate etc) Complete a base map to show the essential elements of a map. Distinguish between map, plan, sketch, diagram and photograph 	KWL Discussion Guided Discovery Atlas Map Work	
October 20, 2021	Week 5	- Conventional symbols	 Interpret the symbols use on a map Use symbols to interpret maps in the atlas focusing on relief and water bodies. Interpretation of land use and physical features using conventional symbols(used on large —scale maps to show church, school, height, vegetation and roads. 	Map Activity Handout	Formative Assessment: Worksheet on Map symbols

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November 3-4	Week 7	Jamaica: Population, Migration and Settlement	A. Position, size, political	 Locate Jamaica on a map of the Caribbean and on a map Complete base map of Jamaica to show the Formative Assessment Worksheet on Physical
			divisions i.e., countries and parishes -Physical features- Landforms and Rivers	of the world. Describe the location of Jamaica using latitude and longitude. Name and locate the capital of each parish. Name the three counties and the parishes which make up each. political divisions Map Analysis Arrange the Physical and Political features in ascending order in ascending order and Political Features Summative Assessment: Quiz on Jamaica's Physical and Political features in ascending order
November 10-11	Week 8			 Name and locate the main physical features of Jamaica on a map. Explain the significance of Jamaica's main physical features. Complete base map of Jamaica showing the relief features
November 17-18	Week 9	Jamaica: Population, Migration and Settlement	Population – settlement and distribution - Distinguish between rural and urban areas, with examples	 Define the terms: population, census, dot map, choropleth map, population distribution and the location of settlements. Use of dot maps and choropleth maps in class activities Use of dot maps and choropleth maps in class activities
				 Describe Jamaica's population distribution. Newspaper articles relating to recent census data.

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				 Explain the factors influencing population distribution and location of settlements in Jamaica. Analyse Dot map Draw simple bar graph to show population of Jamaica by parish 		
November 24-25	<u>Week 10</u>	Jamaica: Population, Migration and Settlement	Population – settlement and distribution - Distinguish between rural and urban areas, with examples	 Distinguish among different types of settlement patterns. Describe a few differences between rural and urban areas in Jamaica (population size, main function, infrastructure, amenities etc) 	Discussion KWL Guided Discovery Role Play Flow chart	Formative Assessment: Presentation on the causes, effects and solutions to migration specifically rural-urban migration.
December 1-2	<u>Week 11</u>	Jamaica: Population, Migration and Settlement	Migration	 Explain the pattern of movement of people, internally and externally. Identify the main types of migration in Jamaica Brief look at causes, effects and solutions to migration 	Chart of push and pull factors	

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