

Complete enquiry-based approach

# Oxford International Primary Geography Course Guide

An internationally focused geography course that inspires students to discover the world around them

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Oxford International Primary Geography is a complete six-year primary geography course that provides an engaging introduction to the subject. Using real life examples from around the globe, the course covers key aspects of both human and physical geography, from the basics of mapping to more complex topics such as the pros and cons of ecotourism and how to meet the resource needs of the world's growing population.

## For the student

Additional **Workbooks** provide the opportunity for further study in the classroom or at home, including suggested research topics and cross-curricular projects.

## For the teacher

The **Teacher's Guide** provides step-by-step guidance for each lesson, as well as background knowledge and geographical information for specialist and non-specialist teachers alike.

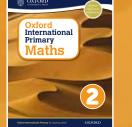
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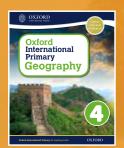
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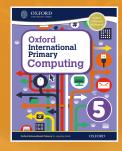
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#### Example scope and sequence – Student Book 1

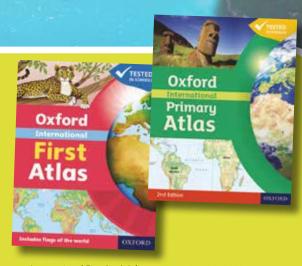
Oxford International Primary Geography provides a structured six year primary geography syllabus, fully supported by lesson-by-lesson plans in the Teacher's Guide. This can be seen in this contents list from Student Book 1:

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3
MY SCHOOL	THE LOCAL AREA	GOING PLACES
My classroom	Where do you live?	Travelling around
Directions	My home	Going to school
Making plans	What is a home for?	It's my world
My school A school map The school grounds	Homes around the world Buildings we use Local jobs	Going on holiday Holiday weather Different landscapes
	My changing area My Street	

### **Atlases**

Use our best-selling atlases to supplement *Oxford International Primary Geography* in your classroom.

- Excellent introduction to maps and finding places in the world to encourage children to talk about local and distant places.
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# Homes around the world

Our homes have to be strong to protect us from the weather. This house is in Switzerland.



In the winter there is a lot of snow in Switzerland.

- Many houses in Switzerland have a roof like this.
- When it snows, the snow slides off the roof.

Houses in hot countries have thick walls and few windows.

They keep the people cool. The flat roofs can be used to store things.

Content is age appropriate and has an international focus making it suitable for schools around the world.

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# **2** The local area

## Where do you live?

#### Where do you live?

Do you live in the countryside or in a town or city?



These houses are near a huge river in The river often **floods** when it rains.

The houses are built on stilts so they s

This Bedouin tent in the **desert** is co but keeps the people warm at nigh

Does your home stand all alone like this?

If you live in the countryside, your home may be all on its own or in a **village**.

In a city there are roads and buildings everywhere. Millions of people live in a big city.

Sample pages from Student Book 1

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This village has very few buildings.

A town is bigger than a village. But it is not as big as a city.

## Activities

- Choose one room in your house.
- a What do you and your family use that room for?
- b What things are there in the room?
- c Build a model of the room using modelling clay, cardboard boxes, fabric and other scrap materials.

Glossary

Apartment (or Flat) A set of rooms for living in, usually on one floor of a building.

Atlas A book of maps.

**Beach** The strip of sand, shingle, mud or rock where a sea or lake meets the land.

**Capital** The most important city in a country.

**City** A large and important town.

**Coast** The seashore and the land close to it.

**Continent** One of the seven big pieces of land in the world.

**Country** A land with its own name, government, money and flag.

Desert A large area of land

Environment Your surroundings

**Ferry** A ship used for carrying people or things across a river or narrow sea.

Forest A large area of trees.

Harbour A place where ships can shelter or unload.

**Island** A piece of land surrounded by water.

Job The work that someone does to earn money.

**Journey** Going from one place to another.

Lake A large area of water surrounded by land.

Landscape The Earth's surface we can see, e.g. desert, mountain, forest.

Map A drawing of part of or all of the Earth's surface as if you were looking down on it.

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Mountain A very high part of the Earth's surface.

Language is carefully selected and reviewed by language consultants to ensure it is suitable for EAL students.

Activities are presented in a local and international context ensuring children are given a global perspective of the topic.

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There are many buildings in this city.

## 2 An island home

## Islands

An island is a piece of land with water all around it. Most islands are separated from the **mainland** by the sea.



A group of small islands seen from an aircraft.

### Large and small islands

Look at the **map** on pages 44 and 45. How many islands can you find? The world's largest island is Greenland.

There are many other islands.

Australia is one huge island, while the Maldive of 1200 small islands.

Beautiful photography and illustrations throughout.

Sample pages from Student Book 2

#### Near islands

Some islands were once joined to the mainland.

Bahrain and Singapore were once joined to the mainland.

Thousands of years ago, they were cut off by the sea.

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#### Distant islands

Some islands lie far out to sea.

The Hawaiian Islands are the tops of high **mountains** on the bottom of the sea.

Iceland and Tahiti were made by **volcanoes** under the sea.

In warmer seas, many islands are made up of the shells of tiny sea animals.

These are called **coral** islands.

## Bahrain, an island country

Bahrain is a small country in the Arabian Gulf. It is a group of 33 islands.

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#### On the islands

More than a million people live on the islands of Bahrain.

Most of them live in or near the **capital** city, which is called Manama.



The main islands that m up the country of Bahra

Focus on both human and physical geography in all six stages.

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Modern buildings in Manama, the capital of Bahrain.



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People go on holiday for lots of different reasons. Some people like to ski. Some people like to spend time on the beach. Some people like to visit cultural or historical places.

Fill in the table below for the five countries you have chosen above. Some countries have more than one reason to visit. You will have to choose why you would like to go there.

Country	Type of holiday	Holiday weather	Average temperature
Thailand	Beach	-	35°C

#### Making money

The money used in Bahrain is called the Bahrain dinar. Bahrain earns most of its money by selling oil and natural gas to other countries.

Some of Bahrain's money also comes from people who visit Bahrain on holiday.

#### Farming

Most of Bahrain is low desert.

The farmers on Bahrain grow different kinds of fruits and vegetables.

Dates are grown around the **oases**.

Some farmers also keep chickens and other animals.

Bahrain cannot produce all the food it needs so a lot has to be bought from other countries.



Farmers growing vegetables in Bahrain.

Fun, enquiry based activities encourage group work and collaboration.

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## Activities

- a Do you think Bahrain would be a nice place to live and work? Tell a friend what you think.
- **b** What job would you like to do there? Say why.
- 2 Make a poster advertising Bahrain as a good place to visit for a holiday.

Workbooks provide extra The local area

- content for
- every lesson.

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