

C2C for Geography

How is the Australian Curriculum: Geography structured?

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Please note that the geography learning area for Kindergarten to Year 6 has recently been revised into the F-6/7 Humanities and Social Sciences curriculum (HASS). The C2C resources currently available online for Kindergarten-Year 6 HASS are based on Version 7.5 of the Australian Curriculum.

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What C2C materials have been developed to support implementation of Australian Curriculum: Geography?

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What is the C2C: Geography Concept Overview: Kindergarten to Year 10?

The C2C: Geography concept overview: Kindergarten to Year 10 provides teachers with information about the Geography concepts to be taught from Kindergarten to Year 10. They have been developed by the C2C writers, using the Australian Curriculum: Geography content descriptions and the scope and sequence documents.

What do the C2C: Geography materials cover?

The table below identifies how the C2C materials address Geography in each year level.

Prep	People live in places	
Year 1	Places have distinctive features	
Year 2	People are connected to many places	
Year 3	Places are both similar and different	
Year 4	The Earth's environment sustains all life	
Year 5	Factors that shape the human and environmental characteristics of places	
Year 6	A diverse and connected world	
Year 7	Water in the world	Place and
Year 8	Landforms and landscapes	Changing nations
Year 9	Biomes and food	Geographies of interconnections
Year 10	Environmental change and management	Geographies of human wellbeing

What is fieldwork and how do I teach it?

Fieldwork involves any activity where students are conducting observations and recording information outside of the classroom. This could be inside the school grounds, around neighbouring areas or in more distant locations.

Fieldwork is an important component of geographical learning as it allows students to engage in geographical inquiry and apply their geographical skills within a specific context, using real life situations. Teachers are able to incorporate fieldwork into any of the C2C units.

How are students assessed using the C2C: Geography materials?

Each C2C: Geography unit contains at least one summative assessment task with a Guide to making judgments and a model response.

Where can I access C2C materials for Geography?

C2C: Geography materials are available to ACT schools by accessing Scootle through the Digital Backpack. It is recommended that all resources are accessed via the Unit Plan links.

How can schools implement Australian Curriculum: Geography?

It remains a school-based decision when and how Geography will be taught. Schools should take into account how Geography connects with other subjects in the Humanities and Social Sciences learning area.

Schools can provide Geography:

- in conjunction with the other Humanities and Social Sciences subjects
- in conjunction with other learning areas
- in a term
- in a semester
- in one year of a two year band (not in every year)
- as an elective subject in Years 9 and 10.

What support is available for teachers to teach Geography?

Teachers can access the Humanities and Social Sciences curriculum on the Australian Curriculum website at:

<http://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/humanities-and-social-sciences/introduction>

The revised F-6/7 Humanities and Social Sciences curriculum (Version 8.1) can be accessed at:

<http://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/humanities-and-social-sciences/hass/curriculum/f-10?layout=1#page=2>

The 7-10 Geography curriculum (Version 8.1) can be accessed at:

<http://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/humanities-and-social-sciences/geography/curriculum/f-10?layout=1>