

JUMPSTART!

GEOGRAPHY
Engaging activities for ages 7–12



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This collection of simple to use and fun activities will jumpstart pupils' understanding of the geographical skills of enquiry, outdoor learning, graphicacy and communication. Pupils will develop their knowledge and understanding of people, places and issues through being encouraged to 'think geographically' about the world they live in.

Areas covered include:

- places in my world (personal geography)
- continents and oceans of the world
- human geography (including population, migration, towns and cities and recreation)
- physical geography (including rivers, forests, coasts and deserts)
- environment, sustainable schools and global citizenship.

All sections include information on some useful knowledge and reference to important key concepts or big ideas in geography that are being developed through the fun activities.

Jumpstart! Geography is an indispensable classroom resource that will celebrate geography and give children the opportunity to experience the thrill of finding out about their world. It will be a lifeline to any classroom teacher looking to teach geography in a fun and exciting way.

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Introduction

Jumpstart! Geography provides a wealth of ideas for learning geography through games and activities. Many of the approaches suggested within a particular theme can be applied to other themes in the book; in Volcano Bingo, for example, bingo could be used to help children to learn about rivers or countries, cities or deserts, in fact many of the different themes in this book. Equally, in the section on 'Forest School Friday' many of the activities such as 'Seek and Solve' can be carried out in other places: towns, beaches and even in the back garden, for example.

The book is divided up into five themed chapters that look at both familiar and less familiar topics of geography. The introduction to each chapter introduces some of the key geographical ideas that support the chapter. We would suggest that the introduction will be particularly helpful for those readers wanting to be clear about how the following themes are connected or to provide a particular context for helping children to think geographically. The themes within a chapter are divided into sections that include a little bit of knowledge to provide some background and then a number of games and activities.

We hope that this book provides a way into geography and will help teachers and parents to have some quick and ready ideas to help children look at the world through a geographical lens. The activities and games provided in this book can be used to:

- establish what somebody already knows;
- introduce a new theme or topic;
- be part of a beginning, middle or ending to a session;
- provide an extension activity;
- be carried out during one whole day or over a period of time.

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