



**Royal
Geographical
Society**
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Assessment

'Geographer of the year competition' 2020

This years theme:
'The world beyond my window'

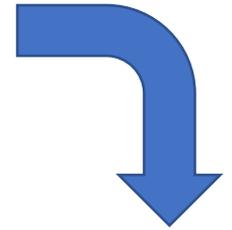
Due: 5th June



RGS Young Geographer of the Year Competition 2020!



You will need to produce an **A3 size poster**. This can be hand-made (then sent electronically via a scanned copy or photograph) or using PowerPoint, Word, Publisher or PDF etc.



This year's Young Geographer of the Year competition gives you the chance to explore the potential that Geography holds! Although we are confined to our homes right now, we would like you to explore your wider geographical horizons. So the title this year is

‘the world beyond my window’

All entries should address this year's theme and must meet the following criteria:

- Excellent attention to spelling, punctuation and grammar
- Use of accurate geographical terminology
- Clearly labelled and appropriately acknowledged sources, including diagrams, charts, maps or images
- Accurate use of symbols, scales and keys,
- Original and independently produced—class sets of identical entries will not be accepted or entries which have copied information from other sources, such as the internet
- If produced electronically, please use a minimum font size of point 10

So, what is the world beyond my window?

How is your life connected by different places?

- Where were you born?
- What is your ethnicity?
- Have you visited any different countries? Why?
- Do you own anything that is made in another country?

What geographical processes create and shape places?

- What is the climate like in the area you live in?
- Why is the climate like this?
- Is there evidence of migration in your area?
- We live in a city, how does this affect your life?

What is the human and physical geography of these places?

- Are there any famous landmarks near you?
- Is where you lived influenced by the people that live there? If so, how?
- Do you have a river, park or open space near your home?

How is your life influenced by different places?

- How might the environment that you live in make you act differently to someone who lives in a different environment?
- How is your family's life influenced by other places?

If you are making your poster on PowerPoint you will need to make sure that you only use **one slide** and that page size is **A3**.

*On SharePoint you will see a folder named RGS Competition 2020. In this folder you will find a blank A3 PowerPoint template that you can save and use.



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Key Stage 3 Criteria (pupils aged 11-14)

Describe **two** or **more** geographical ideas.

Use at **least two** annotated images, diagrams, charts or maps,

This will be an assessed task.

It is due by 5th June.

It will be set as an assignment on Teams so you will need to upload your work to your assignment on Teams.

When uploading the work:

- If it is hand written, it will need to be scanned and uploaded to Teams.
- If you have made it on the computer use PowerPoint one slide only and upload to Teams.
- Please avoid uploading your final piece as a JPEG.
- The Genius scan App is a free app on Android and Apple, it will automatically convert the picture into a PDF.

What does an excellent poster look like?

Take a look at past years entries!

The Arctic - Top of the World

Jack Cheek, KS4, Brentwood School

Animals
The Arctic is home to many unique animals, including polar bears, walrus, and Arctic foxes. These animals have adapted to the harsh, cold environment through various survival strategies.

Resources
The Arctic region is rich in natural resources, including oil, gas, and minerals. These resources are vital for the global economy, but their extraction poses significant environmental challenges.

Climate change
The Arctic is experiencing rapid climate change, with temperatures rising significantly faster than in other parts of the world. This leads to the melting of ice sheets and glaciers, which in turn contributes to rising sea levels.

Transport
Transportation in the Arctic is a major challenge due to the extreme cold and lack of infrastructure. Air travel is often the only viable option, but it is expensive and limited.

Ice
Ice is a defining feature of the Arctic, covering vast areas of the region. It plays a crucial role in regulating the Earth's climate and provides a habitat for many species.

Commerce
The Arctic is becoming increasingly important for global commerce, particularly in the shipping industry. The opening of the Northern Sea Route offers a shorter path between Europe and Asia.

THE ARCTIC

HUMAN

A way in which the Arctic is **UNIQUE**...

The Arctic experiences the extremes of Solar Radiation. During the Northern Hemisphere winter months, the Arctic is one of the coldest places on Earth.

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Year	Population
1950	~1,000,000
1960	~1,500,000
1970	~2,000,000
1980	~2,500,000
1990	~3,000,000
2000	~3,500,000
2010	~4,000,000
2020	~4,500,000

What makes the Arctic Unique?

Research
Research in the Arctic is crucial for understanding climate change and its impact on the region. Scientists use various methods, including satellite data and field observations, to study the environment.

Ecosystems
The Arctic has unique ecosystems with many species adapted to the cold. These ecosystems are highly sensitive to changes in the environment.

Time & Location
The Arctic is located at the top of the world, between the North Pole and the Arctic Circle. It is a vast, remote region with a long history of human habitation.

PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY

SEA ICE - Why is it so unique?

The sea ice is normally 2-3 meters deep.

Some ice on the oceans surface remains frozen all year round, this is known as sea ice. It is unique because it surprisingly helps to determine the Earth's climate. As a result of its very bright surface, about 90% of sunlight is reflected back into space. In addition, due to thermohaline circulation, the Arctic that has sea ice moderates ocean temperatures around the world. As a result, sea ice plays a significant role in keeping the planet at the correct temperature which is why it is so unique.

What a wonderful and detailed poster!

Alaska

Alaska is a vast state in the northwest of North America. It is known for its diverse landscapes, including mountains, forests, and coastlines. It is also home to many unique species and is a major hub for oil and gas production.

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