



Teacher Guidance for Fantastic Places Poster

Year: 7	
Topic	Fantastic Places
Type	Poster
Individual or Group Work	Individual
Levels of Assessments	4 5 6
Number of Lessons	4
Number of homeworks	2
Geography Key Concepts	Place Scale Environmental Interaction Changing Physical and Human Processes Diversity
Geography Key Processes	Planning enquiry Use of Sources Drawing conclusions Communicating
Citizenship Key Concepts Assessment Criteria	
Citizenship Key Processes Assessment Criteria	
Writing Styles	Descriptive Explanative

As The Fantastic Places assessment is likely to be the students' first Key Stage Three assessment it is designed to be compiled gradually. The poster format will enable students to piece together their final sections of writing; emphasis here is on accuracy and neatness of presentation. Students' choice of places is left open; they can use places studied in class or places that they know about from their own visits, television or films.

The assessment is designed for students to complete individually. It is assumed that students have prior experience of how to produce sketches. Their written information can be supported with appropriate writing frames.

The assessment requires students to produce an A2 poster suitable for display in a library about three 'fantastic places' for an audience of 14 year olds. The assessment is written at three different levels – four, five and six. For levels four and five students follow a plan



(*Resource Sheet C*) and for level six students produce their own plan; it is advisable to check level six student plans before they start their work. A guide to planning would be:

Lesson 1	Set up assessment
Lesson 2	Students research one 'fantastic place'
Homework	Students research a second 'fantastic place'
Lesson 3	Students research a third 'fantastic place'
Lesson 4	Students produce 'Code of Respect' and conclusions (latter for levels five and six only).
Homework	Compilation of poster* ¹

Presentation of work is of paramount importance. Word processing and digital images would help here but of more importance is care with presentation of writing and cutting out of paper and choice of colour for the backing card; taking such care improves the overall presentation. When there is so much good Geography being produced it is a shame if it does not look good! One solution to this is to only allow students to choose their backing card once their work has been produced to their best standard.

A2 paper is twice the size of A3 paper. Therefore, as a guide students work needs to be over four pieces of A4 paper in total – a page for each 'Fantastic Place,' ½ A4 for the Code of Respect and ½ A4 for a conclusion. Each will need to be trimmed down so that posters do not have empty half pages. .

Once produced, these pieces of work will make very effective displays over a large area.

Resources available for this assessment are:

Levelling Grid

For Level 4

Resource Sheet A4 - Assessment Activity
Resource Sheet B4 – Using Sources
Resource Sheet C4 – Planning for Poster

For Level 5

Resource Sheet A5 - Assessment Activity
Resource Sheet B5 – Using Sources
Resource Sheet C5 – Planning for Poster

For Level 6

Resource Sheet A6 – Assessment Activity
Resource Sheet B6 – Using Sources
Resource Sheet C6 – Planning for Poster

¹ The final poster compilation could be done in another lesson. This would save posters becoming damaged in transportation.



Whilst this assessment does not include assessment for Citizenship, it could with further time be included as visitors can create both a positive and negative impact which creates a lively debate.