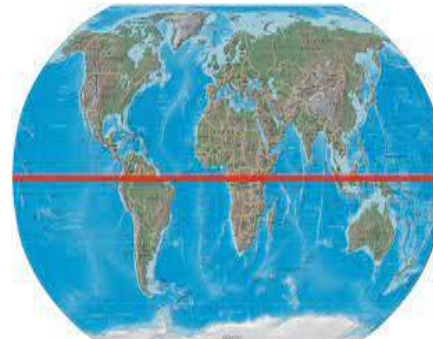


Year 1 – Hot and Cold Places

Vocabulary	Definitions
Equator	An invisible line that runs around the centre of the Earth.
North Pole	The point that is the furthest North of planet Earth.
South Pole	The point that is the furthest South of planet Earth.
Temperature	A measure of how hot or cold something is.
Country	Land that is controlled by a single government.
Weather	What the air and the sky outside are like.
Seasons	A part of a year. There are four seasons: Autumn, Winter, Spring and Summer.
Earth	The planet that we live on.

Where is the equator?



Where are the North and South Poles?



Key Knowledge

A place is usually hot if it is near the equator and cold if it is near the North or South Pole.

The North and South Poles are the coldest places on the planet. The hottest country in the world is Mali.

The temperature of a place affects what plants or animals can live there.

In some countries the weather doesn't change very much throughout the year whereas in other countries the weather changes frequently throughout the seasons.

The countries which the equator runs through are: São Tomé and Príncipe, Gabon, Republic of the Congo, The Democratic Republic of the Congo, Uganda, Kenya, Somalia, Maldives, Indonesia, Kiribati, Ecuador, Colombia, Brazil. This means that these countries are very hot.

Some cold places include Greenland and Alaska.

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Key Skills

Follow directions using North, East, South and West.

Have experience of maps and attempts to make own, real or imaginary.

Use own symbols on imaginary map.

Use maps, pictures and the internet as sources of information with support.

Make comparisons between features of different places.

Identify the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles.

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