

# Primary Geography

## Boosting Subject Knowledge at KS1 & KS2



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Primary Geography  
Workshops

The workshops will be led by Ben Ballin, a knowledgeable geography specialist and a member of the Primary Geography editorial board. Ben is an experienced teacher and trainer who leads primary geography networks in the West Midlands and London. He has written teaching materials for the Geographical Association, the RGS (with IBG) and the online primary geography website Oddizzi. In 2019, he created a primary teaching atlas for the publisher TTS.

*Whether you are a geography subject lead or an NQT teaching KS1/KS2 for the first time, do you have the deep subject knowledge required by the new OFSTED framework? Are you looking for guidance on shaping and sequencing content into coherent medium-term plans? These content-based workshops will deepen your knowledge of places studied at KS1 and KS2 and help you construct rigorous medium-term plans based on accessible enquiry questions which link to key knowledge and skills in the National Curriculum.*

### **Workshop One - Wednesday 17th March**

#### **Local area study and fieldwork at KS1**

Our local areas provide a rich starting point for children's geographical investigations. Using case study examples from specific places, find out how the key concepts of place, space and scale can help provide a robust framework for developing the core knowledge and skills that will go on to form the bedrock for further learning.

### **Workshop Two - Wednesday 14th April**

#### **UK regional study and fieldwork at KS2**

Where is the East Midlands and how does it fit in to the rest of the world? Why is it such an important region? This workshop explores our own region and its contribution to local and international life. What makes it so distinctive, how does it compare to other places and how can we use geographical concepts, vocabulary and skills to find out about it?

### **Workshop Three - Wednesday 5th May**

#### **European regional study at KS2 (focus on the Mediterranean)**

This workshop zooms in on the continent of Europe and the Mediterranean Sea, asking if they are a 'proper' continent and sea. What is so special about these places? It then focuses in on the Italian region of Emilia Romagna and the historic city of Bologna. What is it like to live in these places and how do they compare to other regions and localities that we know about? These ideas can be adapted as a model for investigating other European regions.

### **Workshop Four - Wednesday 16th June**

#### **Americas regional study at KS2 (focus on the Amazon)**

Who 'owns' the River Amazon? Where does it start and where does it go? What makes this river and the surrounding rainforest so significant? What would it be like to live there? Discover amazing facts and unexpected cities in this journey to a place which offers many contrasts – and some surprising similarities – to our own home areas.

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### **Wednesdays**

**3.50pm - 4pm**  
Sign in

**4pm - 5.30pm**  
Workshop

**5.30 - 5.45pm**  
Optional  
Q&A session

