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# **How to use the Student Book**

Pearson Geography New South Wales is fully aligned to the BOSTES NSW Syllabus—Geography. Units combine content and geographical tools. The following information outlines the features of the Student Book.

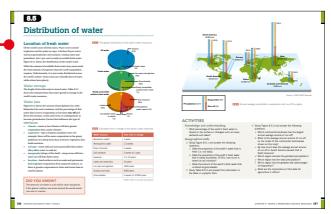
## Chapter opener

The chapter opener image is designed to engage students and provide a visual stimulus to the chapter themes. Also included are an introduction to the chapter and inquiry questions that link the chapter to the BOSTES NSW Syllabus—Geography. A glossary provides a ready reference for students to the key concepts and terms in the chapter.



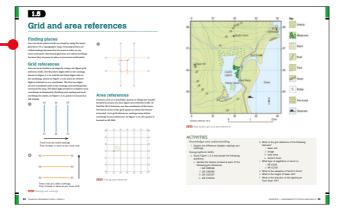
## **Units**

Each chapter of the Student Book is divided into units. Units have been written to develop students' knowledge and understanding of the concepts, skills and processes central to the study of Geography at this level. 'Knowledge and Understanding' and 'Inquiry and Skills' are interrelated, as specified by the BOSTES NSW Syllabus—Geography.



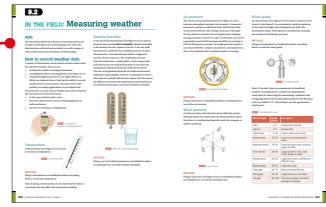
# Geographical tools and skills

Units are designed to improve students' geographical skills. These skills relate to the tools in the BOSTES NSW Syllabus—Geography.



## In the field

'In the field' units provide a step-by-step guide to undertaking and evaluating fieldwork. 'In the field' units have been written as a guide and are not tied to a specific location.



## **Case studies**

Case study units relate to a specific event or location. The units are written to extend students' knowledge and understanding. Case studies include examples from Australia and the world.

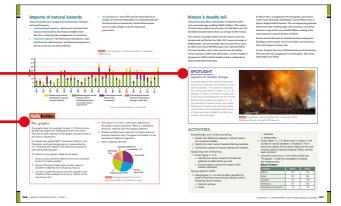


# **Spotlight**

Spotlight boxes focus attention on a place, an issue or a concept relating to the unit.

## Skills builder

Skills builders are embedded in selected units and concentrate on key geographical skills.



## **ONLINE RESOURCES**

# Extra content (online)

Chapters 15, 16 and 17 refer to the BOSTES NSW Syllabus—Geography unit 'Landscapes and landforms', providing choices of landscape and landform to investigate—alpine landforms, riverine landforms and desert landforms.

## **Geoskills**

A chapter on skills is designed to improve students' geographical skills: mapping, graphing, interpreting satellite images and interpreting photos. These skills relate to the geographical tools in the BOSTES NSW Syllabus—Geography.

## **Extension tasks**

Extension tasks enable students to revise key geographical concepts, tools and skills developed in the text, and to complete higher order inquiry skill tasks.





# How to use the Teacher Companion

Pearson Geography New South Wales Stage 4 Teacher Companion is designed to support the implementation of the new BOSTES NSW Syllabus—Geography. Key features include the following:

- pages from the Student Book with wraparound notes
- teacher notes, hints, ideas and learning strategies
- pre-planning and programming advice
- tailored support for EAL/D students
- answers to questions and activities
- links to teacher and student support
- multiple intelligences identification.

A wide range of teaching and learning strategies is provided in each unit. Features have also been categorised according to the strand they primarily support (note that some features may support more than one strand):

- · Geographical knowledge and understanding
- Geographical inquiry and skills
- Geographical values and attitudes.

Features also support teachers integrating ACARA and **BOSTES NSW:** 

- Learning across the curriculum: general capabilities, cross-curricular priorities and identified important learning areas
- Geographical concepts and tools.

## Chapter opening

Each chapter opens with a 'Chapter overview', which includes the following sections.

- 'What's coming up' provides a snapshot of the chapter and looks ahead to the content covered, the chapter's central points and how the practical activities fit into the unit.
- 'Using the image' provides ideas for using visual stimuli to promote greater understanding and interest or active engagement in content.
- 'Pre-quiz' with answers serves as an introductory activity for teachers to test students' prior knowledge of some key concepts that will be covered within the chapter.
- 'Getting started' provides tips and ideas on introducing the main themes and topics in the chapter by suggesting a starter activity.
- 'EAL/D support' gives ideas and suggestions on how to support EAL/D learners.
- 'Resource boxes' outline the resources that are available in the Pearson Geography NSW eBook 3.0 and Product Link web page.



## **Supporting the Student Book pages**

## Vocabulary builder

The vocabulary builder focuses on and defines the important terms that students are required to know.

#### **Geoskills**

This section provides additional activities to further develop and reinforce skills that are part of a chapter.

#### **Homework**

This section provides suggested homework activities that can be completed more effectively out of class time. Teachers generally use this feature to consolidate learning or for forward preparation/understanding for upcoming content.

#### **Answers**

Suggested answers to unit questions are supplied. The answers are structured under the relevant Bloom's heading.

## **Spotlight support**

This section provides additional support and lesson ideas to help teachers take the Spotlight activities further.

#### **Alternative assessment/Extension tasks**

These sections provide creative and interesting assessment tasks that can be used to assess student understanding of the chapter content.

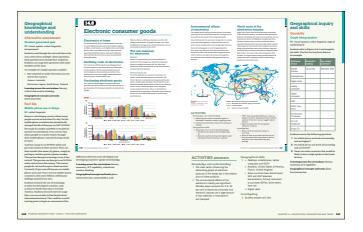
#### **Evaluate understanding**

This section contains strategies for teachers to evaluate student understanding of the chapter content through stimulus questions, short revision quiz ideas or other activities.

## **Ouick five**

This section provides teachers with tasks that relate to the content within the chapter. The term 'Quick five' indicates that it is a short task that can usually be completed in five minutes.





## **Helpful hint**

This section addresses misconceptions and provides helpful advice relating to content or classroom management.

## **EAL/D** support

Specific EAL/D (English as an additional language or dialect) support has been provided to assist teachers with the diverse needs of EAL/D students within their classroom. While the central focus of this feature is EAL/D students, the content could also be used to assist teachers in developing learning activities for other students who require additional support.

#### Skills builder support

This section includes helpful hints and advice for teachers in relation to engaging students with the Skills builder or other important information in relation to the Skills builder feature.

