

Skills Check List (For students to R.A.G. rate)

Red – emerging = I know some factual details about this topic, but without my book, this would be very challenging to recall and apply in my assessment.

Amber – developing = I am quite confident that I know about some of the factual details, but I would still need to use my book to double check statistics and wider knowledge to apply in my assessment.

Green – secure = I am confident and secure about this. I don't need to refer to any notes. The grasp of the knowledge is excellent as I can refer to factual details with ease and apply these in my assessment.

Topic / Enquiry	Key knowledge and factual details about:	Key geographical skills	R.A.G Rating Check List		
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Superpowers – Battle of USA and China	<i>What is a superpower?</i>	Describe what a superpower is. Explain what hard and soft power are. Judge whether the USA's use of hard or soft power is more effective.			
	<i>World's first superpower</i>	Describe where and when the first superpower existed. Explain how Persia became a superpower. Evaluate how the first Persian empire consolidated its position to remain a superpower.			
	<i>World's largest empire</i>	Identify and describe the largest empire the world has ever seen. Explain why the British Empire was so successful. Make a judgement about whether the British Empire was a superpower.			
	<i>How did the USA become a superpower?</i>	Describe how the USA became powerful. Explain the concept of the 'American Dream'. Assess the role of immigration in America's success.			
	<i>Is the biggest country in the world a superpower?</i>	Identify and describe the biggest country in the world. Explain what the Cold War was. Analyse whether Russia is still a superpower.			
	<i>Nuclear weapons</i>	Describe how and when nuclear weapons were invented. Explain why certain countries have nuclear weapons Assess how much damage countries who have nuclear weapons are able to inflict.			
	<i>World's biggest population</i>	Describe three facts about China's history. Explain why China introduced the one child policy. Judge whether having a large population makes China powerful.			
	<i>Developing countries</i>	Can I explain how China and America engage with countries in Africa and the Middle East? Can I summarise what the benefits are for the superpowers and the developing nations? Can I analyse what the disadvantages are for the superpowers and the developing nations?			
	<i>Superpowers of the future</i>	To state what the BRICs countries are			

		To explain why the superpowers of the future may be different to those of the present To judge whether there are any international companies who may already be on track to be superpowers of the future			
	<i>Could China replace the USA as the world's most powerful superpower</i>	To explain whether the USA's power is decreasing To analyse data about China's economic and military strength To judge whether China is likely to replace the USA as the most powerful superpower			