



#### **Lesson 1:** The land of smiles

Key concepts	Range and content	Key questions and ideas	Teaching and learning activities	Resources
Place - Understanding the physical and human characteristics of real places. Developing 'geographical imaginations'  Space - knowing where places are located  Cultural understanding and diversity - Appreciate how values and attitudes differ and may influence social, environmental, economic and political issues and may different to our own. Consider how people and places are represented in different ways	range of investigations, focusing on places, themes or issues the location of places and environments	Who goes to Thailand? Why do people go to Thailand? Thailand is a popular and growing tourist destination because of the diversity of its physical and human characteristics.	STARTER:  Watch slide show of Thailand image looks at image of Thai Airways plane and consider: Why do so many people want to go to Thailand '?  MAIN ACTIVITIES:  Look at images of the characters sitting the Thai Airways plane as if characters from popular TV series LOST.  Use Tourist destinations in Thailand interactive. Who are these people are and why they are going to Thailand? Choose a destination for them and justify.	Interactive: Tourist destinations in Thailand Downloads: Thailand scenes slide show Thailand - the land of smiles Thailand tourist statistics  Assessment opportunities  Explanation of the choices of destinations for the passengers on the plane.
Key processes	Curriculum opportunities		PLENARY:  Look at and interpret Thailand	
Geographical enquiry - Ask geographical questions, thinking critically, constructively and creatively. Collect and record information  Geographical Communication - communicate knowledge and understanding using geographical vocabulary and conventions in both speech and writing.	The study of place and space provides a strong context for learning about change in the contemporary world – both directly in the local environment and more broadly using multimedia data, images and text.		tourist arrival statistics	If students are familiar with the popular TV series LOST it might be useful to use it as a hook. We are introduced to the different passengers on flight TG 917 in the first lesson follow their lives in Thailand, each lesson typically featuring a primary character as well as a secondary 'storyline' from another point in a character's life – relating to the reason they are visiting Thailand.





### Lesson 2: When to go

Key concepts	Range and content	Key question and ideas	Teaching and learning activities	Resources
Interdependence - Understanding the significance of interdependence in change, at all scales.  Physical and human processes - Understanding these processes helps pupils to imagine alternative futures for places and for the people who live and work in them.  Environmental interaction and sustainable Development - Understanding that the physical and human dimensions of the environment are interrelated and together influence	Physical geography: This should include the study of weather and climate, and why they vary from place to place, as well as other physical processes and landscapes.  Interactions between people and their environments: This should include the investigation of climate change. Making links between people and their environments at different scales helps pupils understand interdependence	When is the best time to go to Thailand?  Will climate change cause more flooding in Thailand?  Thailand has a tropical monsoon climate. The climate is influenced by altitude in the north and proximity of the sea in the southern peninsula.  Thailand's densely populated areas (including Bangkok) are in a low elevation coastal zone. With rising seas and increased intensity of rainfall and storm surges	STARTER: Use the Thailand climate graphs to decide whether the characters/passengers are going to the correct destination in terms the climate they expect and advise them to go to another part of Thailand, or at another time of year.  MAIN ACTIVITIES: Look at images of flooding in Bangkok and use the Climate Change: Populations at risk from cyclones and rising seas fact sheet to answer the question  PLENARY:	Downloads: Thailand climate graphs Thailand Climate data Climate Change: Populations at risk from cyclones and rising seas in Thailand (Word) Climate Change: Populations at risk from cyclones and rising seas around the World (Word) Climate Crisis?  Assessment opportunities Answers to main activity and Thailand climate graphs activity
environmental change.  Key processes	Curriculum opportunities	from cyclones more flooding is likely in the future	Use knowledge gained from this lesson to answer the	
Geographical enquiry	_		question:	Notes
Graphicacy and visual literacy	use a range of approaches to enquiries d use varied resources, including maps, visual media and geographical information systems		Is flooding going be greater problem in the future for Thailand and Bangkok?	





## **Lesson 3:** Downtown Bangkok

Key concepts	Range and content	Key question and ideas	Teaching and learning activities	Resources
Place - the physical and human characteristics of real places.  Environmental interaction and	human geography, built and managed environments and human processes	What's Downtown Bangkok like? How do you get around and what transport problems are there?	STARTER:  Look at scenes from the city and imagine that you took the photos. Imagine what Bangkok is like and compare with students area	Downloads: Scenes of the City (PPT) Bangkok map
sustainable Development - Understand that the physical and human	this should include themes such as urban change,	Bangkok is a diverse place from traditional to ultra modern.	MAIN ACTIVITIES:	A breath of fresh air? - getting around Bangkok
dimensions of the environment are	migration and sustainable development.	Bangkok suffers from traffic congestion and pollution but this is being	Plan a day out in Bangkok for the 'Evans family'. Carry out	Assessment opportunities
interrelated and together influence environmental change.  Cultural understanding and Diversity - Consider how people and places are represented in different ways	development.	addressed with sustainable solutions.	internet research and mark the main sights on a map. Work out how many types of transport they will use. Make a short video of the attractions of the city for a TV holiday programme.	Tour maps and video clips
Key processes	Curriculum opportunities		PLENARY:	
Geographical enquiry Graphicacy and visual literacy Geographical communication.	build on and expand their personal experiences of geography  explore real and relevant contemporary contexts  use a range of approaches to enquiries		Read about solutions to the problem of pollution in Bangkok	Notes





## **Lesson 4:** Working for tourism

Key concepts	Range and content	Key question and ideas	Teaching and learning activities	Resources
Interdependence - Exploring the social, economic, environmental and political connections between places.  Physical & human processes - Understanding how sequences of events and activities in the physical and human worlds lead to change in places, landscapes.  Cultural Understanding and Diversity - people's values and attitudes differ and may influence social, environmental, economic and political issues.	human geography, this should include themes such as urban change, migration and sustainable development  different parts of the world in their wider settings and contexts, a range of investigations, focusing on places, themes or issues	Who works in Thailand's tourist industry and what do they do?  Hundreds of thousands of Thais and migrant workers are employed in the Thai tourist industry which contributes tourism contributes over 5% of the Thai economy's GDP.  Health professionals work in the niche and growing 'medical tourism' segment of the industry	Follow 'Vladamir and Alena' down to Phuket. Consider the services overseas tourists like them will expect and implications on local labour market  MAIN ACTIVITIES:  Do a mystery activity: In pairs or in groups, work out why 'Ao' works in Phuket and sort the information to find out why mobile phone top-up cards are so important to him?  PLENARY: Read an article on 'medical tourism' to why passenger 'Caroline' has chosen Bangkok for her nose job and produce and advert for one of Bangkok's hospitals	Downloads: Ao mystery cards Ao mystery solution After the tsunami - winners and losers Body Beautiful - the rise of 'Medical Tourism'  Assessment opportunities  Outcomes of 'Ao' mystery
Key processes	Curriculum opportunities			
Geographical enquiry Geographical communication	use a range of approaches to enquiries			Notes





#### **Lesson 5:** Islands and beaches

Place - recognise that there are many different perceptions, interpretations of places   Physical and human processes - events and activities in the physical and human worlds lead to change in places, linterdependence - Understanding the significance of interactions and sustainable development - Exploring sustainable development and its impact on environmental interactions. Cultural understanding and diversity - people's values and attitudes differ and may influence Social and environmental, issues    Key processes   Curriculum opportunities   Cultural understanding and diversity - people's values and attitudes differ and may influence   Geographical enquiry   Graphicacy and visual   literacy   Cultural understanding and other subjects, including Graphicacy and visual literacy   Cultural understanding and other subjects, including cultural understanding and other subjects, including cultural understanding and other subjects, including cultural understanding and diversity - people's values and attitudes differ and may influence   Cultural understanding and diversity - people's values and attitudes differ and may influence   Cultural understanding and diversity - people's values and attitudes differ and may influence   Cultural understanding and diversity - people's values and attitudes differ and may influence   Cultural understanding and diversity - people's values and attitudes differ and may influence   Cultural understanding and diversity - people's values and attitudes differ and may influence   Cultural understanding and diversity - people's values and attitudes differ and may influence   Cultural understanding and diversity - people's values and attitudes differ and may influence   Cultural understanding and other subjects, including of these interactions.   Cultural understanding and other subjects, including of the people value   Cultural understanding and other subjects, including   Cultural understanding and other subjects, including   Cultural understanding and values   Cultural understanding and v	Key concepts	Range and content	Key question and ideas	Teaching and learning activities	Resources
Sustainability and global dimension.  Geographical communication  sustainability and global dimension.  fewer, high spending tourists in all-inclusive resorts backed by big business from outside.	Place - recognise that there are many different perceptions, interpretations of places Physical and human processes - events and activities in the physical and human worlds lead to change in places, Interdependence - Understanding the significance of interdependence in change Environmental Interaction and sustainable development - Exploring sustainable development and its impact on environmental interaction Cultural understanding and diversity - people's values and attitudes differ and may influence Social and environmental, issues  Key processes Geographical enquiry Graphicacy and visual literacy Geographical	a range of investigations, focusing on places, themes or issues  interactions between people and their environments, including causes and consequences of these interactions, and how to plan for and manage their future impact.  investigate different perspectives and values relating to these interactions, including sustainable development. They should also consider future implications of these interactions.  Curriculum opportunities make links between geography and other subjects, including citizenship and areas of the curriculum including sustainability and	ideas  Why is Thailand attractive to film-makers?  exotic jungle and beach settings, relatively low production costs, and a mature film industry that provides experienced crew members, have made Thailand an attractive location for films. There have been negative and positive effects  How has Ko Phi Phi changed over time?  The island 'resort' has grew out of obscurity owing the publicity of 'The Beach' film but was then devastated by the tsunami in 2004. It has been redeveloped.  What is the future for Ko Phi Phi?  The government's vision of a sustainable future for Ko Phi Phi focuses on fewer, high spending tourists in all-inclusive resorts backed by big	activities  STARTER: Follow gap year student 'Joanne' down to Ko Phi Phi.  Look at two images of the landscape  What kind of movies would you make here?  How might movie-making change life on the islands? For better or worse?  MAIN ACTIVITIES:  Hook up with honeymooners 'Danny and Melissa' on Phi Phi Don. Put the images of changing view in order to see the change over time  PLENARY:  Consider the resources that 'Joanne' and Danny and Melissa' might use. How do they compare. Read information about the future of	Downloads:  Ko Phi Phi maps (pdf)  Ko Phi Phi images (ppt)  Ko Phi Phi images (doc)  Ko Phi Phi: What future?  Assessment opportunities  Annotation the photo sequence to explain the changes on the island





#### Lesson 6: Culture

Key concepts	Range and content	Key question and ideas	Teaching and learning activities	Resources
Interdependence -	a range of investigations,	What are some of the	STARTER:	Links:
understand how human	focusing on places	social costs of tourism?		
action in one place has			Read about Thai cultural	Thailand etiquette dossier
consequences somewhere	a variety of scales, from	There can be are negative	and social etiquette and	
else.	personal, local, regional,	social impacts on local	compare with images of	A slideshow of people in Khao
Environmental Interaction	national	cultures brought by	tourists in Bangkok and read	San Road
and sustainable		tourists but there are more	what a resident thinks	Diam antimofrana a manidant of
development - Exploring		opportunities now to be	MAIN ACTIVITIES:	Blog entry from a resident of
sustainable development and		ethical, sustainable or responsible when	WAIN ACTIVITIES:	Bangkok
its impact on environmental		travelling which means	Follow 'George' to Mae	Newspaper article about the
interaction		that tourists that can	Hong Son. Read newspaper	Kayan
Cultural understanding and		actually benefit even very	article about the Kayan and	Rayan
diversity - people's values		poor communities directly.	decide whether he should	What should George do -
and attitudes differ and may			visit their village	statements
influence social,				
environmental, economic and political issues.				Assessment opportunities
Appreciating the differences			PLENARY:	7.00000mont opportunito
and similarities between				
people, places, environments			Look at image of a tourist	Should 'George' visit the Kayan
and cultures to inform their			taking photo of hill tribe child	tribe decision making
understanding of societies			in Thailand. Imagine Thai	3
and economies. Consider			tourists have come to visit	
how people and places			your neighbourhood to take	
are represented in different			photos of people living there. What would they	
ways			photograph?	
•			How would you feel about it?	
Key processes	Curriculum opportunities		What rules should people	
Geographical enquiry	participate in informed		stick to when they are taking	
	responsible action in		photographs?	Notes
Graphicacy and visual	relation to geographical			110100
literacy	issues that affect them and			
	those around them			
Geographical	make links between			
communication				
	geography and other			
	subjects, including			
	citizenship and ICT, and			
	areas of the curriculum			
1	including sustainability and			
	global dimension.			

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