

## Achievement Standard

**Subject Reference** Geography 1.4

**Title** Apply concepts and basic geographic skills to demonstrate understanding of a given environment

**Level** 1      **Credits** 4      **Assessment** External

**Subfield** Social Science Studies

**Domain** Geography

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This achievement standard involves applying concepts and basic geographic skills to demonstrate understanding of a given environment.

### Achievement Criteria

Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apply concepts and basic geographic skills to demonstrate understanding of a given environment.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apply concepts and basic geographic skills to demonstrate in-depth understanding of a given environment.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apply concepts and basic geographic skills to demonstrate comprehensive understanding of a given environment.</li> </ul>

### Explanatory Notes

- This achievement standard is derived from the Level 6 Geography achievement objectives of *The New Zealand Curriculum*, Learning Media, Ministry of Education, 2007, and is related to material in the *Teaching and Learning Guide for Geography*, Ministry of Education, 2010 at <http://seniorsecondary.tki.org.nz>.
- Apply concepts and basic geographic skills to demonstrate understanding of a given environment* typically involves:
  - using basic skills and geographic conventions in the presentation and/or interpretation of information
  - showing understanding of geography concepts.

*Apply concepts and basic geographic skills to demonstrate in-depth understanding of a given environment typically involves:*

- using basic skills and geographic conventions with precision in the presentation and/or interpretation of information
- showing an in-depth understanding of geography concepts.

*Apply concepts and basic geographic skills to demonstrate comprehensive understanding of a given environment typically involves:*

- using basic skills and geographic conventions showing consistent precision in the presentation and/or interpretation of information
- showing a full understanding of geography concepts using geographic terminology and showing insight.

- 3 *Basic geographic skills* refer to mapping, visual interpretation, graphing, statistical and valuing skills.

*Geography concepts* in this achievement standard refer to those outlined in the *Teaching and Learning Guide for Geography*.

*Given environment* refers to a specific New Zealand or overseas setting.

- 4 Assessment Specifications for this achievement standard can be accessed through the Geography Resources page found at [www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/resources](http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/resources).

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## Quality Assurance

- 1 Providers and Industry Training Organisations must be accredited by NZQA before they can register credits from assessment against achievement standards.
- 2 Accredited providers and Industry Training Organisations assessing against achievement standards must engage with the moderation system that applies to those achievement standards.

Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP) reference

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