Oak National Academy

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A quick guide

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You can easily update whole units or part of a unit using our resources. Use this guide on your own or with your colleagues to drive your thinking and record your decisions.

Questions to consider	Record your decision
Step one Identify areas that need to be refreshed	
 What's not working in your curriculum at the moment? Are there any units that are no longer relevant? What gaps exist in your current curriculum? What topics could you add to increase diversity and breadth? 	
Step two Find Oak units that match your needs	
Use the search function or browse through our curriculum maps to find a topic. Help yourself decide which units are most relevant by reading through the core content listed for each lesson.	
Step three Connect Oak units into your curriculum	
 Where in your existing curriculum do you teach related content? Which units are most similar to the Oak unit you are integrating? What will pupils have learnt about the topic in the Oak unit before they study it? 	

- What will they learn next about the topic after they have studied the Oak unit?
- Across the Oak unit and all other curriculum units that cover this topic, are definitions, explanations and teaching methods consistent?

Step four

Adapt the unit to meet the needs of your pupils and school

- What additional content will your particular pupils need to learn in this unit to ensure they progress within your curriculum?
- What additional scaffolding or stretch do you need to bridge the needs of particular pupils?
- What else do you need to add to the Oak resources to ensure the lessons meet your school-wide expectations and curriculum aims?

