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?	