

A Level Geography Transition Work Summer 2026

Welcome to the World of Geography!



Over the summer please complete the activities set out below.

The skills you will need to use will mirror some of those needed to be successful over the course.

In September you will be expected to bring your written research response along to your first lesson; your information will be used as part of a wider discussion about Geography and its role in the world today.

1. Research into current global issues affecting our world in the 21st century.

You should aim to cover between 3 and 5 different themes using a variety of sources to help with your research. You must detail which sources you have used; newspaper articles, magazines, books, youtube, websites, tv. The best work will demonstrate how human and physical Geography is interdependent - that both affect each other - and will also clearly investigate how your life is affected by the issues you have chosen. Look out for stories/events that happen over the summer break.

Issues you might consider; (but the idea is **you** choose what **you** think is most important);

natural disasters, globalisation, urban pollution, climate change, poverty, global diseases, trade wars, famine, water scarcity, political systems, Antarctica, desertification.

2. Optional but recommended;

Pick up and read a copy of 'Prisoners of Geography' or 'The Power of Geography' by Tim Marshall. Ideally we'd recommend the whole book but even to dip into just two or three chapters (regions) of the world would be very advantageous to you.

Pick up and read a copy of 'Factfulness' by Hans Rosling. Ideally read the whole book but even just the first couple of chapters would be great preparation.

3. Sign up to & recommend apps/podcasts/substacks to do with Geography. (eg BBC News)

