

Geography



Exam Board	AQA	
Qualification	GCE AS and A-level	
Entry Requirements	Grade 6 in Geography and Grade 5 in English Language and Maths	
Content (Outline of Course)	<u>AS-level</u>	<u>Advanced level</u>
	<p><u>Physical geography</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Water and carbon cycles 2. Hot desert environments and their margins 3. Coastal systems and landscapes <p><u>Human geography</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Global systems and global governance 5. Changing places <p><u>People and the environment</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Hazards 7. Contemporary urban environments <p><u>Geography fieldwork investigation</u></p>	<p><u>Physical geography</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Water and carbon cycles 2. Hot desert environments and their margins 3. Coastal systems and landscapes 4. Hazards 5. Ecosystems under stress 6. Cold environments <p><u>Human geography</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Global systems and global governance 8. Changing places 9. Contemporary urban environments 10. Population and the environment 11. Resource security <p><u>Geography investigation</u></p>
Assessment	<p><u>AS-level</u></p> <p>Unit 1: Physical geography and people and the environment – Written exam of 1 hours 30 minutes, worth 80 marks or 50% of AS-level</p> <p>Unit 2: Human geography and geographical investigation – Written exam of 1 hours 30 minutes, worth 80 marks or 50% of A-level</p> <p><u>Advanced Level</u></p> <p>Unit 1: Physical geography – Written exam of 2 hours 30 minutes, worth 96 marks or 40% of A-level</p> <p>Unit 2: Human geography – Written exam of 2 hours 30 minutes, worth 96 marks or 40% of A-level</p> <p>Unit 3: Geographical investigation – essentially coursework of 3,000 and 4,000 words, worth 35 marks and 20% of A-level, marked in school by teachers and then moderated by AQA</p>	
Careers Guidance	<p>Geography equips students with a range of skills that are highly prized and sought after by a variety of employers. These skills are essential to everyday life in the workplace. Geography can be used as a foundation to progress into either science or arts-based courses at university with many students opting to do either a BSc or a BA degree course in the subject. The range of career destinations is only limited by ambition. Geographers are highly regarded by employers owing to their broad knowledge of a variety of local, national and global issues combined with their analytical, presentation and communication skills.</p> <p>Careers in health, education, finance, the media, business, the armed forces, the environment, industry, travel, commerce and the public sector have all been pursued by geographers.</p>	