

Edexcel A Level Geography – Assessment Information

3 Exam Papers & 1 Independent Investigation



Paper 1 & 2 – May include multiple choice questions, short open response, calculations and resource questions

12 mark to 20 mark extended writing questions

Paper 1- 9GEO/01 – Physical Geography	
2 hours 15 minutes	
30% of A Level	
105 Marks	
Section A – Tectonic Process & Change	
Section B – Coastal Landscapes	
Section C – The Water Cycle & Water Insecurity	
Section D – The Carbon Cycle & Energy Security	

Paper 2 – 9GEO/02 – Human Geography		
2 hours 15 minutes		
30% of A Level		
105 Marks		
Section A – Globalisation		
Section B – Regenerating Places		
Section C – Superpowers		
Section D – Migration, Identity & Sovereignty		

Paper 3 -9GEO/3 – Synoptic		
2 hours 15 minutes		
20% of A Level		
70 Marks		
Unseen resource booklet contains information about a geographical		
issue within a place-based context.		
Links to at least 3 topics/themes.		
Includes 8 mark, 18 mark 24 mark extended writing questions.		

Independent Investigation – Internally Assessed		
20% of A Level		
70 Marks		
3000-4000 Words		
Every student must have a different investigation title		
a. Purpose of the Independent Investigation (12)		
b. Field Methodologies & Data Collection (10)		
c. Data Presentation, Analysis, Interpretation & Evaluation of		
Techniques and Methodologies used		
d. Conclusions & Critical Evaluation of the Overall Investigation		

Edexcel A Level Geography – Skills

Geographical, Mathematical and Statistical skills.



Skills	Revised	
Understand the Nature & Use of:		
Qualitative (coding & sampling) &		
Quantitative Data		
Primary & Secondary Data		
Images & Factual Text		
Discursive/Creative Material		
Digital, Numerical & Spatial Data		
Dot Maps		
Kite Diagrams		
Linear & Logarithmic Scales		
Dispersion Diagrams		
Aerial, Oblique, Ground, Satellite		
Images		
GIS		
Interpretation of Conventional		
Diagrams inc. Lines of best fit		
Statistical Tests		
T-Tests		
Spearman's Rank		
Chi-Squared		
Gini-coefficient		
Lorenz Curve		
Field	work	
Research literature sources		
Define research questions		
Knowledge & Understanding of fieldwork methods of data		
collection		
Justification of methods inc.		
sampling		
Observe & Record data		
Critically examine field data		
Range of data presentations methods		
Evaluation of fieldwork		