

Name of Course	GEOGRAPHY
Examination Board	AQA
<p>What is Geography?</p> <p>What the world is like, why it is like it is, what is global warming and what can we do about it? Why do we get flooding, volcanic eruptions, earthquakes, waterfalls? Why are some countries rich and some poor? What are the main issues affecting cities around the world and even our own? How can we solve problems found in cities? If these topics interest or concern you and you wish to know more about them, then this course is for you. The course studies the world in which we live and how we depend on it for our survival. We examine how we can live in harmony with our environment and how we are inadvertently destroying it. Importantly, geography will show you what can be done to make improvements to the world we live in. Choose your future. Choose Geography.</p>	
<p>What skills will I learn?</p> <p>The course is designed to develop a wide range of practical, technical, intellectual, social and communication skills that you can use in daily life! Geographers are often said to be the most employable people when they apply for jobs. These skills include the ability to analyse data and to observe, collect, interpret, evaluate and communicate geographical information and ideas. The ability to make decisions concerning complex geographical issues and to report verbally and in writing, those decisions. Mapwork, fieldwork, photo and satellite image interpretation, drawing and interpreting a wide range of geographical techniques and the use of information technology are all other skills that will be developed by studying geography.</p>	
<p>Content of the course</p> <p>Paper 1 - Living with the physical environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The challenge of natural hazards ● Physical landscapes in the UK ● The living world <p>Paper 2 - Challenges in the human environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Urban issues and challenges ● The changing economic world ● The challenge of resource management <p>Paper 3 -Geographical applications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Issue evaluation ● Fieldwork ● Geographical skills 	

How will it be assessed?

Living with the physical environment

Written exam: 1 hour 30 minutes (88 marks (including 3 marks for SPAG)) = 35% of GCSE.
Question types: multiple-choice, short answer, levels of response, extended prose

Challenges in the human environment

Written exam: 1 hour 30 minutes (88 marks (including 3 marks for SPAG)) = 35% of GCSE.
Question types: multiple-choice, short answer, levels of response, extended prose

Geographical skills

Written exam: 1 hour and 15 minutes (76 marks including 6 marks for SPAG) = 30% of GCSE

Exam will be based on fieldwork done during the GCSE course and pre-release resources made available from 15 March in the year of the exam. Question types: multiple-choice, short answer, levels of response, extended prose.

Particular issues for this subject

Good literacy and numeracy skills are important if you are to be successful in geography

Trips

There will be a trip to River Tillingbourne in Surrey to study rivers. We will also visit Brighton to study quality of life in urban areas.

Resources

We will expect students to purchase the following revision guides:

Geography 9-1 AQA Revision Guide - Bob Digby, Rebecca Tudor, Tim Bayliss and Catherine Hurst.

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