

PCHS Curriculum Information

Course title: GCSE Geography	Exam board: AQA	Specification code: 8035
How will students be assessed? Students sit three exams. All students complete the same paper. The first exam is 'living with the physical environment' which focuses on natural hazards, ecosystems and cold environments, the UK's physical landscapes, coastal landscapes and river landscapes. The second exam is 'challenges in the human environment'. This unit includes urban geography, urban change and the challenges facing urban areas, development and economic change in the UK and abroad and the challenges of energy management into the future. Both of these exams are 90 minutes long and make up 35% of the GCSE mark. The third exam is 'geographical applications'. This exam is split into two sections. The first is an issue evaluation where students study information provided 12 weeks before the exam and answer questions on it using their geographical skills and applied knowledge. The second section is where students answer questions about the two days of fieldwork that they have completed.		

KEY CONTENT
Half Term 1 - Urban challenges • Mumbai challenges and opportunities • London challenges and opportunities • Olympic regeneration
Half Term 2 - Urban challenges • Sustainability in cities The Changing Economic World • Economic Development • The Global Development Gap • Economic Development in Nigeria
Half Term 3 - The Changing Economic World • Economic Development in Nigeria • Economic Change in the UK
Half Term 4 - Resource Management • Global Resource Management • Energy

Half Term 5 – Revision

- Revision of Physical landscapes
- General Revision
- Preparation for Paper 3 and Pre-release material (subject to curriculum changes)

Half Term 6

- **Exams**