

GCSE Geography

AQA exam board

Description

This exciting course is based on a balanced framework of physical and human geography. It allows students to investigate the link between the two themes, and approach and examine the battles between the man-made and natural worlds. Students will be exploring case studies in the United Kingdom (UK), higher income countries (HICs), newly emerging economies (NEEs) and lower income countries (LICs).

Topics of study include climate change, poverty, deprivation, global shifts in economic power and the challenge of sustainable resource use. Students are encouraged to understand their role in society, by considering different viewpoints, values and attitudes. Students will also participate in two fieldtrips to develop knowledge and skills for Paper 3.

Student Criteria

This course is for students who enjoy looking at the world around them and the effects that humans have on it.

Students will be assessed across the following units:	
Unit 1: Living with the Physical Environment (35%) The challenges of Natural Hazards; Physical Landscapes in the UK; The Living World; Geographical Skills **Unit 2: Challenges in the Human Environment (35%)** Urban Issues and Challenges; the Changing Economic World; the Challenge of Resource Management; Geographical Skills **Unit 3: Geographical Applications (30%)** Issue Evaluation; Fieldwork; Geographical Skills	**Three** exam papers **Units 1 and 2**: 1 h 30 **Unit 3**: 1 h 15

Progression

Geography offers many transferable skills and this means it can lead into many forms of employment.

Jobs directly related to your degree:

- Disaster and emergency planner
- Environmental consultant
- Climate change analyst
- Planning and development surveyor