

GCSE Geography QAN Code 60182246

WHY CHOOSE GEOGRAPHY?

The Geography course is a dynamic subject, examining some of the major issues facing society today. This includes an insight into how the natural world is formed, awareness of the environmental problems facing the planet and the decisions made by people. It combines extremely well with other humanities subjects and can be studied with either sciences or arts subjects. Geography gives students an insight into the world around them and helps to develop broad minded and well-rounded students.



EXAM BOARD: OCR Spec B



ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

Exam: 100%

There are three written exams.

Unit 1 and 2 (35% each) include a mix of short, source supported and extended questions. Geographical skills are assessed throughout but also in a separate section on fieldwork.

Unit 3 (30%) is a synoptic paper which also includes a decision-making exercise.

THIS COURSE WOULD SUIT YOU IF:

- you are inquisitive and have an interest in the world around you
- you enjoy discussing contemporary geographical issues like climate change, migration or the UK's ageing population
- you are a good communicator
- you are hardworking

COURSE CONTENT AND ACTIVITIES

Paper 1: Our Natural World – Global hazards, Changing climate, Distinctive landscapes and Ecosystems

Paper 2: People and Society – Urban futures, Dynamic Development, Resource reliance and the UK in the 21st Century

Paper 3: Geographical Exploration – synoptic exam from topics covered in Unit 1 and 2. The second section is a decision-making exercise

CAREERS AND FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES

Geography is a popular subject at GCSE and helps prepare students for further study at A level and beyond. Universities and employers welcome this subject as a valuable qualification because of the range and variety of skills that a student develops over the two years. It offers a large number of career opportunities that include travel and tourism, surveying, planning, accountancy, energy, sustainability and geographical information systems.

