



Curriculum Overview – GCSE Geography

Year	Overview	Autumn 1 (Weeks 1 – 7)	Autumn 2 (Weeks 8 – 14)	Spring 1 (Weeks 15 - 20)	Spring 2 (Weeks 21 - 26)	Summer 1 (Weeks 27 - 32)	Summer 2 (Weeks 33 - 38)	Student Resources
9	Students will learn and develop their understanding of Paper 1 of the GCSE course titled 'Living with the Physical Environment'. This paper is broken down into three sections. Section A- The challenge of natural hazards. Section B- The living world and Section C- Physical landscapes in the UK.	Students will study natural hazards in particular tectonic hazards.	Students will study weather hazards.	Students will study climate change.	Students will study- ecosystems, tropical rainforests.	Students will study- hot deserts in particular The Thar desert in India.	Students will study- UK landscapes, coasts and rivers. Paper 1 revision in preparation for end of year exam.	Oxford GCSE Geography AQA textbook.
		Unit specific assessment- tectonic hazards.	Unit specific assessment- weather hazards.	Unit specific assessment- climate change.	Unit specific assessment- the living world.	Unit specific assessment- hot deserts.	End of year exam. Paper 1- living with the physical environment.	
			Previous topics will be interleaved into homework and assessments.	Previous topics will be interleaved into homework and assessments.	Previous topics will be interleaved into homework and assessments.	Previous topics will be interleaved into homework and assessments.	Previous topics will be interleaved into homework & assessments	
10	Students will learn and develop their understanding of Paper 2 of the GCSE course titled 'Challenges in the human environment'. This paper is broken down into three sections. Section A- Urban issues and challenges. Section B- The changing economic world. Section C- The challenge of resource management.	Students will study- The urban world. Looking closely at Rio De Janeiro and the social and economic challenges.	Students will study- Urban changes in the UK and Urban sustainability. Looking closely at Bristol and its social, economic and environmental challenges.	Students will study- The changing UK economy. Looking at a post industrial economy, changes in transport infrastructure and UK science parks.	Students will study- The development gap. Looking at: measuring development, wealth and health, and reducing the gap, fair trade, debt relief and tourism.	Students will study- Nigeria: a newly emerging economy. Looking at Nigeria in the wider world and the impacts of transnational corporations.	Students will look at Paper 3- Geographical applications in preparation for their field work investigations. Paper 2 revision in preparation for end of year exam.	Oxford GCSE Geography AQA textbook, revision guide and exam practice.
		Unit specific assessment- the urban world.	Unit specific assessment- urban changes in the UK.	Unit specific assessment- the changing UK economy.	Unit specific assessment- the development gap.	Unit specific assessment- Nigeria: a newly emerging economy.	End of year exam. Paper 2- challenges in the human environment.	
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11	Students will be revising Paper 1- Living with the physical environment and Paper 2- Challenges in the human environment. Students will also be reviewing their field work investigations conducted at the end of Year 10 and study the prerelease that will be available 12 weeks before the summer exams. This will make up the content for Paper 3- Geographical applications.	Students will be reviewing the following topics; The challenge of natural hazards, the living world and physical landscapes in the UK. As well as exam techniques and practice.	Students will be reviewing the following topics; urban issues and challenges, the changing economic world and the challenge of resource management, as well as exam techniques and practice.	Exam revision and preparation for mocks. Review of mocks, revisiting areas of weakness.	Students will be reviewing Paper 3 content- geographical applications. Reviewing field work investigation carried out in the summer term of Year 10, as well as reviewing prerelease content, this will become available in March.	Revision, exam techniques and practice.		Oxford GCSE Geography AQA textbook, revision guide and exam practice.
		GCSE mock paper 1- living with the physical environment.	GCSE mock paper 2- challenges in the human environment.	Students will complete GCSE mock paper 1- living with the physical environment. Paper 2- challenges in the human environment.	Students will complete GCSE mock paper 3- geographical applications.			
Notes:			Examination specification: AQA GCSE Geography (8035).			Homework portal:	www.go4schools.com www.senecalearning.com	
						Further resources: Google classroom. GCSE POD. PIXL Geography app. Seneca learning. BBC Bitesize.		