

SUBJECT: Geography

EXAM BOARD: AQA

Course Overview

Units

Year 12

Human Geography

Contemporary Urban Environments:

A study into urban growth and change which are seemingly ubiquitous processes and present significant environmental and social challenges for human populations.

Changing Places:

This unit focuses on people's engagement with places, their experience of them and the qualities they ascribe to them, all of which are of fundamental importance in their lives.

Physical Geography

Hazards:

A study of a range of different hazards such as tectonic, seismic, meteorological and wildfire. It will look at their causes, effects and how humans can reduce their impacts.

Coastal systems and landscapes:

This focuses on dynamic environments in which landscapes develop by the interaction of winds, waves and currents. We develop an informed appreciation of the beauty and diversity of coasts and their importance as human habitats.

Year 13:

Human Geography

Global Governance:

A study of globalisation and the economic, political and social changes associated with technological and other driving forces which have been a key feature of the global economy and society in recent decades.

Physical Geography

Carbon and Water Cycles:

A study of the major dynamic cyclical relationships and processes on our planet. You will appreciate their magnitude and their significance at a variety of scales to human populations.

Non-Examined Assessment (NEA):

20% of the overall grade is produced through a 4000 word independent investigation into a Geographical theme or issue of your choice. Each title is individual so you will pick a title of your own choice. There is a compulsory fieldtrip in Year 12 where you will collect your data.



<p>Useful websites</p>	<p>www.peopleandplanet.org.uk www.un.org www.environment-agency.gov.uk www.cia.gov/cia/publications/factbook www.worldmapper.com www.gapminder.org</p>
<p>Essential text books and reading list</p>	<p>These are all suggestions (do not feel the need to buy)</p> <p>AQA A-Level Geography Fourth Edition – 4th Edition – Ian Whittaker et al. 2016</p> <p>A-Level Geography: AQA Year 1&2 Complete Revision & Practice – CGP Books</p> <p>AQA Geography A-Level & AS: Human Geography Student Book – Paperback – Simon Ross et al. 2016</p> <p>AQA Geography A-Level & AS: Physical Geography Student Book – Paperback – Simon Ross et al. 2016</p>
<p>Summer task</p>	<p>Complete both of the following tasks. Both need to be 1 side of A4:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">Human Geography: “To what extent have global systems such as the IMF, World Bank and WTO exacerbated injustices across the world?” <i>(To complete this, you will need to research the positives and negatives of the aforementioned global systems, with examples, and come to a conclusion as to whether they have increased inequalities across the world)</i>Physical Geography: Assess the extent to which the impacts of wildfires in LICs have more devastating impacts on the socio-economic status of the country” <i>(To answer this question you will need to research one wildfire in a rich country and one in a poor country. You will need to research the impacts on people and the economy, with evidence. You will then need to decide which area has the biggest impact on people and the economy)</i>