

Y10 and Y11 GEOGRAPHY

GCSE Technical Information

GCSE Course Title: Geography A

Code: 8035

Awarding Body: AQA

PAPERS	METHOD OF ASSESSMENT	WEIGHTING
Paper 1: Living with the Physical environment	Written examination (1hr 30)	35%
Paper 2: Challenges in the human environment	Written examination (1hr 30)	35%
Paper 3: Geographical applications	Controlled Assessment (1hr 15)	30%

Background knowledge and qualifications

The GCSE course highlights the importance of Geography in understanding our ever changing world. It will inspire you to become a global citizen by exploring your place in the world, your values and responsibilities to other people and the environment.

The content focuses on current issues and is designed to inspire and motivate you. A modern and engaging approach covers key ideas and debates such as climate change, globalisation, economic progress, urban regeneration and management of world resources.

Geography is a subject which covers a wide variety of contemporary issues and topics related to the world in which you live. The course will appeal you if you have an interest in and concern for the planet and the way in which humans interact with our planet.

Course Description

This exciting and relevant course studies geography in a balanced framework of physical and human themes and investigates the link between them.

You will travel the world from your classroom, 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 also encouraged to understand their role in society, by considering different viewpoints, values and attitudes.

The end result of studying Geography is that you will have a better understanding of how mankind and the earth work together. It is not all theory either. You'll get the opportunity to roll up your sleeves with some fieldwork.

Throughout the course you will develop a wide range of skills including practical skills, discussion, problem solving, presenting your ideas clearly, ICT and organisation. All of these will be of great benefit to you in the future.

We are confident you'll enjoy learning this subject as much we enjoy teaching it.