



Geography

KS4

Why should I study this course?

This specification enables a variety of teaching and learning approaches. This exciting and relevant course studies geography in a balanced framework of physical and human themes and investigates the link between them.

Students will travel the world from their 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.

What knowledge and/or skills will I need?

This course builds on your learning in Year 9 and will allow you to develop your:

- data collection skills in the field
- written, spoken and visual communication skills
- graphical and cartographical skills
- technological skills, including ICT and GIS
- interpersonal skills through debate, discussion, questioning and problem-solving

How will I be assessed?

Paper 1: Living with the physical environment

- Written exam: 1 hour 30 minutes
- 35% of GCSE

Section A: The challenge of natural hazards

Section B: The living world

Section C: Physical landscapes in the UK

Paper 2: Challenges in the human environment

- Written exam: 1 hour 30 minutes
- 35% of GCSE

Section A: Urban issues and challenges

Section B: The changing economic world

Section C: The challenge of resource management

Paper 3: Geographical applications

- Written exam: 1 hour 15 minutes
- 30% of GCSE

Section A: Issue evaluation - A booklet of information is given out 12 weeks before the exam for the people to study.

Part of Paper 3 is on analysing the information.

Section B: Fieldwork - We take the pupils on two fieldtrips

1. To the Jurassic Coast to Studland and walk to Swanage we look at coastal erosion and deposition and coastal management
2. A human Geography field trip to study urban regeneration in Dorset.

Want more information?

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