



Geography GCSE

GCSE

9-1

AQA

Who is this course aimed at?

This option course is aimed at students who have enjoyed Geography at KS3 and wish to have a clear overall view of the world in the first part of the 21st century. The world in which we live is likely to change more in the next 50 years than it has ever done before. Geography explains the changes and helps to prepare people for them. It is a subject about now and the future. It will also allow the development of 'awe and wonder' which will allow students to fully appreciate and learn from the world around them. Students will be provided with a sound foundation for those who intend to continue to study the subject to a higher level

How will I be assessed?

Living with the physical environment:
Written examination 1 hour 30 minutes.
35% of GCSE
Challenges in the human environment:
Written examination 1 hour 30 minutes.
35% of GCSE
Geographical applications:
Written exam 1 hour based on fieldwork and pre-released material available from 15th March in year of the exam
30% of GCSE

Will I enjoy the course?

You are most likely to enjoy this course if you wish to develop: communication skills, graphical and cartographical skills, technological skills, including ICT and GIS, interpersonal skills through debate and discussion, literacy and numeracy, problem solving skills, entrepreneurial skills and awareness of career possibilities. Your enjoyment of this course will be affected by your general knowledge of the world around you, your awareness of the environment, your problem solving skills, your ability to work in a team, your ability to communicate through written, oral and ICT media.

What will be expected of me?

Students are expected to: give 100% effort to every lesson and every piece of work they produce, take part and get involved with lessons and group activities, keep to deadlines so work doesn't build up and become a problem, catch up on any work they may miss, ask for help as soon as they need it.

What will I study?

Paper 1 Living with the physical environment

The challenge of natural hazards.
Physical landscapes in the UK.
The living world
Geographical Skills

Paper 2 Challenges in the human environment

Urban issues and challenges.
The changing economic world.
The challenge of resource management
Geographical skills

Paper 3 Geographical application Is

Issues evaluation.
Fieldwork -Students need to undertake two geographical enquiries, each of which must include the use of primary data, collected as part of a fieldwork exercise.
Geographical skills