

Curriculum Overview

Subject: Geography

Year Group: Year 12



At A Level, the AQA syllabus is taught over 2 years. Topics include water and carbon cycles, coastal systems and landscapes, hazards, global systems and global governance, changing places and population and the environment. A fieldwork project, based on water and carbon cycles is carried out at the end of Year 12 (worth 30%).

Geography is the fundamental subject of our times; given the dynamic and ever-changing nature of the content within the discipline, the subject provides a critical lens through which to explore wide variety of geographical concerns in the media such as the numerous issues to do with climate change to the impacts of inflation on our daily lives. As part of our Enriched and Society-centred curriculum students will explore the current controversial issues and learn to debate, whilst respecting the viewpoints of others.

To raise aspirations and allow our students to make informed decisions about their future, we provide subject specific careers education. Students learn about educational and skill requirements for Geography based professions such as Cartographers, Climate Scientists, Hydrologists and Town Planners.

Our Curriculum Maps outline our curriculum design and the development of knowledge and skills in Years 12 and 13.

The curriculum is adapted to support and challenge students with different starting points, whilst remaining ambitious for all. Students are examined on the AQA Specification in A Level Geography.

TERM 1	TERM 2	TERM 3
<p>KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS:</p> <p>Water and Carbon Cycles This section specifies a systems approach to the study of water and carbon cycles and contemplates the magnitude and significance of the cycles at a variety of scales.</p> <p>Coastal systems and landscapes The study of coastal zones, dynamic environments in which landscapes develop by the interaction of geomorphological processes in association with distinctive landscapes.</p>	<p>KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS:</p> <p>Hazards This topic focuses on the lithosphere and the atmosphere, which present natural hazards to human populations, often in dramatic and sometimes catastrophic fashion.</p> <p>Population and the Environment This topic explores the relationships between key aspects of physical geography and population numbers, population health and well-being, levels of economic development and the role and impact of the natural environment.</p>	<p>KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS:</p> <p>Population and the Environment- (Continuation) This topic explores the relationships between key aspects of physical geography and population numbers, population health and well-being, levels of economic development and the role and impact of the natural environment.</p> <p>Global systems and global governance This section focuses on globalisation and the driving forces which have been a key feature of global economy and society in recent decades.</p>

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Extended reading suggestions and external resources:

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/geography/as-and-a-level/geography>

<https://geography-revision.co.uk/aqa-a-level/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world>

<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/>

<https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/geography-revision/a-level-aqa/>

<https://www.tutor2u.net/search?q=a+level+geography+revision>