

GCSE Geography

Overview of the course.

The GCSE Geography course is designed to encourage an enquiry approach towards the study of geographical issues and concepts. Pupils are encouraged to actively engage in the lessons and try to pose their own geographical questions. The course will extend the learners knowledge of locations, places, environments and processes at a range of different scales.

What will I study in Year 10 and how will I be examined?

Unit 1: Changing Physical and Human Landscapes

This will include rivers, flooding, glaciation, coasts, counter-urbanisation, population and global cities.

Written exam: 1 hour and 30 mins

40% of Qualification

83 marks (3 SPAG)

Section A- Core Themes

1 question- Landscapes and Physical Processes

1 question- Rural-urban Links

28 marks each

Section B- Options

1 question- Coasts

24 marks each

What will I study in Year 11 and how will I be examined?

Unit 2: Environmental and Development

This will include climate change, weather, ecosystems, sustainability, global inequalities, resource management and social development.

Written exam: 1 hour and 30 mins

40% of Qualification

83 marks (3 SPAG)

Section A- Core Themes

1 question- Weather, Climate and Ecosystems

1 question- Development and Resource issues

28 marks each

Section B- Options

1 question- Social Development Issues

24 marks each

Unit 3: Fieldwork Enquiry

Written exam/ High Control: 2 hour and 30 mins

20% of Qualification

44 marks

A report will be written on fieldwork that has been carried out. This will be written in response to a set of questions set by the WJEC. These will be released in the November of Year 11. The exam will be sat before the 31st December that year.