

GCSE Geography



Exam Board: OCR

Duration: 1 Year

What is it worth? 1 GCSE

Why take this course? Who is it for?

Taking GCSE Geography will help you become: An effective and independent learner, a critical and reflective thinker with an enquiring mind,. It will make you more appreciative of your relevance to our changing world, appreciative of the importance of the location of places and environments on a local and global scale. You will also start to become a 'global citizen' who recognises how they can contribute to a future that is sustainable.

What does this course involve?

Learning more about the world you live in using skills that will help you in other areas such as IT and research. Some work will be away from the classroom and involving team work. You will learn through investigating and doing not just listening and reading.

What possible progression routes are available after taking this course?

Geography is well known as a subject that links to all other subjects in the curriculum, so a GCSE in Geography is a stepping stone to a whole range of opportunities. A good grade will help you move on to any AS, Applied A Level or BTEC course. You may want to continue your study of Geography or take a course such as a BTEC National in Travel and Tourism.

What are the special features?

Fieldwork and ICT through the use of GIS.

What possible careers follow on from this course?

The skills you develop can lead you to employment opportunities in journalism, media, engineering ICT, travel and tourism, environmental management, marketing, business management and teaching.

How you will be assessed?

You will complete two pieces of coursework during this course which is worth 25% of your final grade. In January you will complete a SMDE (sustainable Decision Making Exercise) which is worth a further 25%. You will take one exam at the end of the course that will make up the other 50% of your grade. The marks from all four assessments will be added together to give you final overall grade. The exams have 2 tiers: Higher—allowing you to achieve grades D-A* and Foundation—allowing you to achieve grades G-C. This means that you can work at the level that suits you.

Who do I see for further information?

Mrs Phillips or Mr Broad

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