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Geography GCSE

Exam board: AQA

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Why study Geography?

‘Facilitating’ subject

Russell group universities and employers

Because of the **skills** and **knowledge** you gain

- Working in a group
- Analytical skills
- Working with data
- Works well with all types of subjects

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Why study Geography?

- **Study**: Geography is the 6th most popular GCSE in the UK, high A Level recruitment, at university **3rd lowest dropout rate**
- **Employment**: Five years after graduation, geography graduates have an **above average likelihood of gaining employment**. Geographer employment rates **outperform other disciplines**, including politics, physics and history.
- **Future**: increasing demand for 'green' skills (WEF, Deloitte, RGS)
- **Earnings**: Geography graduate earnings **outperform** other subjects, including technology, biosciences and history. Men **2% more**, women **10% more** than average graduate salaries

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Why study Geography?

Strait of Hormuz: What happens if Iran shuts global oil corridor?



Gavin Butler, BBC News, Singapore, BBC Persian and Toby Mann

Weather warnings issued as colder weather and mountain snow forecast



Chris Fawkes
Lead Weather Presenter

What is net zero and is the UK on track to achieve it?



Mark Poynting
Climate reporter, BBC News

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What will I study?

Paper 1: Physical geography 1hr30 mins exam

Section A: Natural hazards

- Tectonic hazards
- Weather hazards
- Climate change

Section B: Living world

- Ecosystems in the UK
- Tropical rainforests
- Hot deserts

Section C: UK physical landscapes

- Coasts
- Rivers

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What will I study?

| Paper 1: Physical geography 1hr30 mins exam | Paper 2: Human geography 1hr30 mins exam |
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| <p>Section A: Natural hazards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tectonic hazards• Weather hazards• Climate change <p>Section B: Living world</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ecosystems in the UK• Tropical rainforests• Hot deserts <p>Section C: UK physical landscapes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coasts• Rivers | <p>Section A: Urban issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Growth of cities• City in a LIC/NEE: Rio de Janeiro• City in a HIC: London <p>Section B: Economic world</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Global development• UK economic change <p>Section C: Resource management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Resources around the world• Food, water, energy in the UK |

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Fieldwork



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How is the GCSE assessed?

- 3 papers: each 1hr30 mins
- Range of shorter answer (1-2 marks), mid length (4-6 marks), and longer answer questions (9-12 marks)
- Geographical skills: graphical, statistical, mathematical skills

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Where will Geography take me?

GCSE Geography with ...

Potential careers...

... Art & Design Technology

Advertising, architecture, cartography, landscape design

... Science

Agriculture, environmental health, estate management, nature conservation

... History

Archaeology, law, museums, publishing

... Modern languages

Business, bilingual secretary, overseas marketing, leisure and tourism

... Maths

Civil engineering, meteorology, mining, navigation, photography

... various subjects

Leisure services, sport and recreation management, social and youth work, surveying, transport services, banks, building societies, business, civil service, secretary/PA, police, army, health service

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