

Introduction to GCSE Geography (Short Course)

Why study Geography?

Are you interested in the world all around you? Do you want to be able to make informed decisions about where to work, where to live and where to go on holiday? Are you concerned about the environment? Do you want to develop skills you will find useful long after you have left school? There has never been a better time to study Geography. It leads to a qualification which links to many other subjects and is highly valued by employers.

You will study:

- * People and the Physical World, covering rivers;
- * People and Places to Live, covering settlement;
- * People and their Needs, covering economic activities;
- * People and the Environment, covering tropical rainforests and the global environment.

You will learn:

- * Map skills;
- * How to use ICT (Information and Communication Technology);
- * How to collect and interpret data gained through fieldwork;
- * How to make decisions and solve problems.

Assessment:

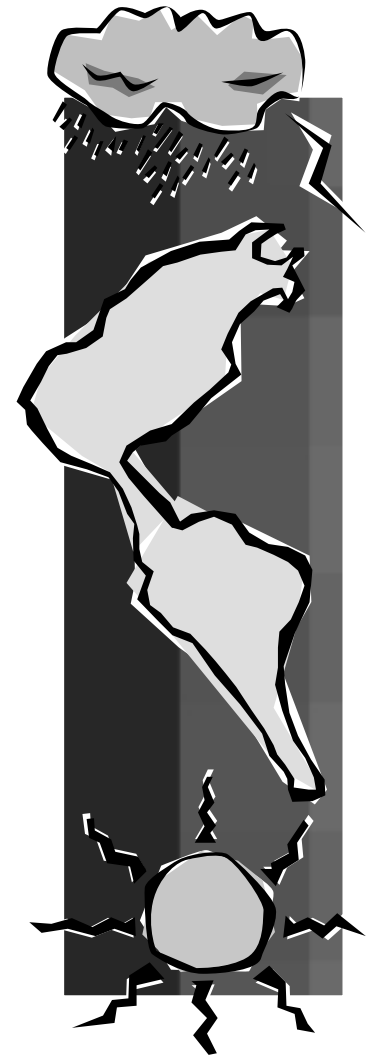
There is a choice between two levels of entry: Foundation and Higher. At Foundation level (Paper 1) the grades available are G–C and at Higher level (Paper 2) the grades available are D–A*.

Coursework

During the course, you will complete one piece of coursework. This will involve collecting information through fieldwork. Your enquiry will normally be up to 1500 words in length. It must use ICT at appropriate points.

Examination

At the end of the course you will take one examination lasting 1 hour 30 minutes. The first part mainly tests geographical skills and understanding. The rest tests knowledge and understanding.



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