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| Name of Course | GEOGRAPHY |
| Examination Board | AQA |
| <p>What is Geography? What the world is like, why it is like it is, global warming. Flooding, volcanic eruptions, earthquakes, landform development, the population explosion, pollution, deforestation, unemployment, homelessness and tourism – if these topics interest or concern you and you wish to know more about them, then this course is for you. The course studies the world in which we live and how we depend on it for our survival. The course examines how we can live in harmony with our environment and how we are often, inadvertently destroying it.</p> | |
| <p>What skills will I learn? The course is designed to develop a wide range of practical, technical, intellectual, social and communication skills. These skills include the ability to observe, collect, interpret, analyse, evaluate and communicate geographical information and ideas. The ability to make decisions concerning complex geographical issues and to report verbally and in writing, those decisions. Mapwork, fieldwork, photo and satellite image interpretation, drawing and interpreting a wide range of geographical techniques and the use of information technology are all skills that will be developed by doing geography.</p> | |
| <p>Content of the course Living with the physical environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The challenge of natural hazards ● Physical landscapes in the UK ● The living world <p>Challenges in the human environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Urban issues and challenges ● The changing economic world ● The challenge of resource management <p>Geographical applications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Issue evaluation ● Fieldwork <p>Geographical skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Geographical skills | |
| <p>How will it be assessed? Living with the physical environment Written exam: 1 hour 30 minutes (88 marks (including 3 marks for SPGST)) = 35% of GCSE. Question types: multiple-choice, short answer, levels of response, extended prose</p> <p>Challenges in the human environment Written exam: 1 hour 30 minutes (88 marks (including 3 marks for SPGST)) = 35% of GCSE. Question types: multiple-choice, short answer, levels of response, extended prose</p> <p>Geographical skills Written exam: 1 hour and 15 minutes (76 marks including 6 marks for SPGST) = 30% of GCSE Exam will be based on fieldwork done during the GCSE course and pre-release resources made available from 15 March in the year of the exam. Question types: multiple-choice, short answer, levels of response, extended prose</p> | |

Particular issues for this subject

Good literacy and numeracy skills are important if you are to be successful in geography

Trips

There will be a trip to River Tillingbourne in Surrey to study rivers. We will visit the coast at West Wittering to study coastal land forms and management. Finally, we will visit Brighton to study quality of life in urban areas.

Resources

We will expect students to purchase the following revision guides:

CGP GCSE AQA Geography for the Grade 9-1 Exams, Complete Revision and Practice

CGP GCSE AQA Geography for the Grade 9-1 course, Exam Practice Workbook

Approximate cost for both: £10

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