

# Why choose...? Geography



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## The Basics

**Exam Board:** Edexcel

**Name of Course:** GCSE Geography A

**Assessment:** 3 x 1 hour 30 exams

**Success:** Several students have reached grades 8 and 9!





# What will I study?



## **Paper 1: Physical Geography (37.5%)**

This paper will involve all things natural! Rivers and coasts, hurricanes, climate change, the Amazon rainforest!

## **Paper 2: Human Geography (37.5%)**

This paper will involve all things human! Populations, inequality, sustainability, informal settlements, cities, resources!

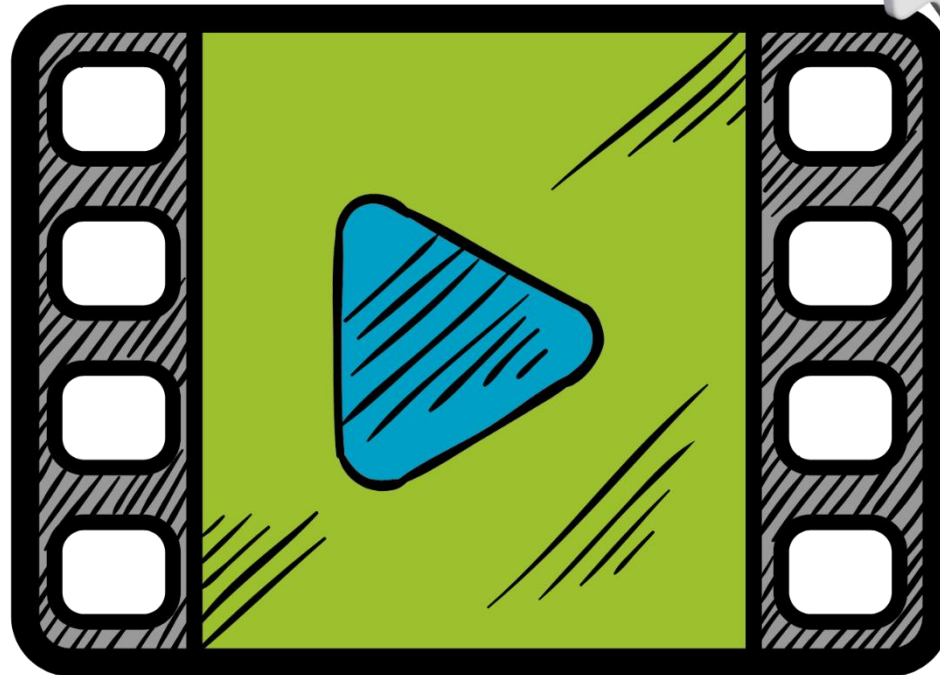


## **Paper 3: Geographical investigations (25%)**



This paper will involve both fieldwork studies (trips to a river and urban area) and challenges we face in the UK and how we overcome them!

# Geography... In three words



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# How do I know if it's right for me?

Here's what some former and current students have said about  
**Geography:**

"I like geography because it focuses on saving the planet and that's something I feel strongly about, especially because the geography teachers are all really good"

**Tegan (former GCSE student)**

"Geography is a great mix of enjoyable classroom work and outdoor learning. Take it!"

**Nile (former GCSE and current A Level student)**

"You don't need to know about the past when your future is in the future. Take geography!"

**Darrel (current GCSE student)**

"GCSE geography is a great subject to pick as it will teach you things about the world we wouldn't know otherwise. I am going to pick A-Level geography too"

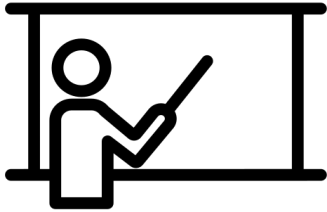
**Bethany (current GCSE student)**

"You get to go on fun and entertaining trips, you get to explore more about the environment and how things change overtime"

**Letayah and Finely (current GCSE students)**

# Where can this subject take me?

Geography is highly thought of by colleges, universities and employers because of not only the knowledge of the physical and human world, but the skills it gives you.



## CAREER PATHS

There is an endless list of careers that geography can take you down



**Meteorologist**

**Town planner**

**Environmental manager**

**Teacher**

**Cartographer**

**GIS analyst**

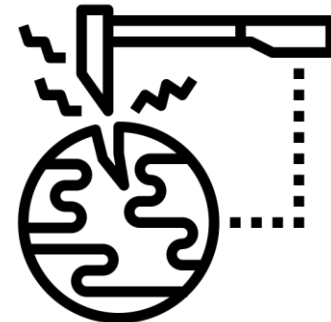
**Heritage officer**

**Land surveyor**

**Geoscientist**

**Import-export clerk**

**MUCH MORE!**



# Frequently Asked Questions

## Will I be good at this subject?

Yes! Enthusiasm, hard work and support from your teachers will ensure you progress in this subject.

## Is it a popular/ successful subject?

Yes 😊 We are currently the most popular humanities subject, with over 120 students in both year 10 and 11.

## Who will my teacher be?

Our current GCSE geography teachers are Miss Bytheway, Mr Ellement, and Mr Crawley.

## Do we get to go on trips?

During the course we go on two trips for fieldwork. One to Carding Mill Valley and one to Birmingham.

## Is there a lot of writing?

The exam involves 5 types of questions for each topic: a multiple choice, a short 2-mark question, 2 medium questions of 3 and 4 marks, and an 8-mark question.

## Will I like it?

We think you will **LOVE** it!! It's so different to your other subjects, and as teachers, we are so passionate about it! It will allow you to travel without going anywhere and be equipped to live in an ever-changing world.