Why choose...? Geography





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!



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

Royal Geographical Society with IBG

Advancing geography and geographical learning

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"

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

Take it!"

Tegan (former GCSE student)

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"

Finley (current GCSE student)

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.

Who will my teacher be?

We currently have five geography teachers at SWB including Miss Bytheway and Mr Ellement.

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.

Is it a popular/ successful subject?

Yes © We are currently the most popular humanities subject in year 11, with over 100 students.

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.

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.