

# Geography Curriculum Guide

## Year 10

What will my son learn?		
Autumn term	Spring Term	Summer Term
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hazardous Earth</li><li>• Development Dynamics</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Development Dynamics</li><li>• Challenges of an Urbanising World</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The UK's evolving physical landscape</li><li>• Geographical Investigations</li></ul>

### How will my son be assessed?

- Geography is assessed after each topic through an end of topic test. This follows the same format as the final exam in the summer term. Students are marked on the following assessment criteria:
  - AO1 Demonstrate knowledge of locations, places, processes, environments and different scales.
  - AO2 Demonstrate geographical understanding of:
    - concepts and how they are used in relation to places, environments and processes;
    - The inter-relationships between places, environments and processes.
  - AO3 Apply knowledge and understanding to interpret, analyse and evaluate geographical information and issues and to make judgements.
  - AO4 Select adapt and use a variety of skills and techniques to investigate questions and issues and communicate findings.

4 marks on the paper are given for correct use of spelling, punctuation and grammar.

There will be a mock exam at the end of the autumn term and the final exams will be in May and June of year 11.

Classwork is marked once every 2 weeks (approx.) and students are expected to respond to written teacher feedback by making improvements on their work.

### How can I support my son with Geography?

- Check his planner to make sure what homework has been set and when it needs to be completed.
- For extra activities your son may use Doodle where extra quizzes and lessons are available. Use <https://www.doodlelearn.co.uk>.
- Also available are quizzes and information at <http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/geography/>
- There are podcasts he can listen to at home at <https://www.gcsepod.com/>
- All pupils will be issued with a textbook that the course is based on. There are questions that can be completed at the end of each chapter.
- Encourage him to read over his work after it is completed to secure his learning and where appropriate make improvements.
- Check he is responding to teacher comments in his book (Using a different coloured pen).
- Watching the news, reading newspapers and being aware of current events can really help increase his awareness of issues relating to physical and human geography.
- Talk to your son and ask him what he is learning and therefore engage him in what he has learnt.

