

GCSE GEOGRAPHY

OPTIONS 2024



WHY STUDY GEOGRAPHY?

- GEOGRAPHY IS THE STUDY OF THE HUMAN AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT AND HOW THEY INTERACT WITH EACH OTHER
- IT IS RELEVANT AND TEACHES US ABOUT THE WORLD AROUND US AND HOW WE CAN SHAPE IT
- GEOGRAPHY IS ABOUT THE FUTURE AND ENCOURAGES FLEXIBLE THINKING
- IT FOSTERS TRANSFERRABLE SKILLS, WHICH EMPLOYERS LOOK FOR
- GEOGRAPHY DEVELOPS DECISION-MAKING SKILLS AND AN EVALUATIVE APPROACH



EXAMINATION STRUCTURE

PAPER	WEIGHTING	LENGTH
PAPER 1 – LIVING WITH THE PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT	35% OF GCSE	1 HOUR 30 MINUTES
PAPER 2 – CHALLENGES IN THE HUMAN ENVIRONMENT	35% OF GCSE	1 HOUR 30 MINUTES
PAPER 3 – GEOGRAPHICAL APPLICATIONS	30% OF GCSE	1 HOUR 15 MINUTES



PAPER I – LIVING WITH THE PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

- ECOSYSTEMS, TROPICAL RAINFORESTS & HOT DESERTS
- COASTAL SYSTEMS AND LANDSCAPES
- WEATHER HAZARDS & CLIMATE CHANGE
- RIVER SYSTEMS AND LANDSCAPES
- TECTONIC HAZARDS



PAPER 2 – CHALLENGES IN THE HUMAN ENVIRONMENT

- URBAN ISSUES AND CHALLENGES (MUMBAI & LIVERPOOL)
- CHANGING ECONOMIC WORLD (NIGERIA & THE UK)
- RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (FOOD, WATER & ENERGY)



PAPER 3 – GEOGRAPHICAL APPLICATIONS

- TAUGHT FIELDWORK
- UNSEEN FIELDWORK
- ISSUE EVALUATION



FIELDWORK OPPORTUNITIES

2 DAYS COMPULSORY FIELDWORK

ICELAND

LONDON

NORTH
WALES

LIVERPOOL
CITY CENTRE

AINSDALE





ENERGY & UTILITIES

By 2023, it's estimated that this industry's workforce will need to increase by more than 200,000 people due to renewable power introducing a wider range of jobs.

CAREER PATHS

- Petroleum Engineer
- Geochemist
- Mudlogger



AGRICULTURE

Between 2010 and 2020, it's estimated that the agriculture industry will need 200,000 extra employees.

CAREER PATHS

- Farmer
- Tree Surgeon
- Farm Worker
- Ecologist



EDUCATION

People who work in education (especially teachers) have one of the highest rates of job satisfaction in the UK. 78% of teachers say they enjoy their job.

CAREER PATHS

- Geography Teacher
- Private Tutor
- University Lecturer

WHERE CAN GEOGRAPHY TAKE YOU?



SCIENCE & RESEARCH

It's predicted that in the next few years, 1 in 4 jobs will have been created by science and research - leading to 140,000 new science jobs by the end of 2018.

CAREER PATHS

- Research Scientist
- Geologist
- Statistician



PUBLIC SECTOR

Although the amount of jobs in this sector has decreased in recent years, there is a demand for those with good digital and computer literacy.

CAREER PATHS

- Member of Parliament (MP)
- Civil Servant
- Environmental Health Officer



CONSULTANCY

In the future, consultants with skills and knowledge in digital technology, financial services, retail and infrastructure will be in high demand.

CAREER PATHS

- Management Consultant
- Data Analyst
- IT Consultant

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FURTHER INFORMATION/QUESTIONS

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