

What are the aims and intentions of this curriculum?

The aim of our Key Stage 4 curriculum is to engage students' interest in the natural environment and how people interact with it. We want to provide a balanced framework of physical and human geography, allowing students to investigate the battles between the man-made and natural worlds.

Term	Topics	Knowledge covered	Skills developed	Assessment
Autumn 1	The Changing Economic World	Economic futures of the UK: changes in industrial structure, post industrial economies, impacts of industry, changes in rural landscapes, new developments in infrastructure, the north south divide, strategies to reduce regional differences, UK links with the wider world.	Graphical skills Using data Researching Discussion and debate	40 mark paper
Autumn 2	The Challenge of Resource Management	Significance of food, water and energy, resource inequalities. UK resources: demand for food, carbon footprints, agribusiness, demand for water, water quality and management, changing energy mix, renewable energy, economic and environmental issues with energy use.	Graphical skills Using data Researching Discussion and debate	Exam questions
Spring 1	The Challenge of Resource Management	Global patterns of calorie intake and food supply, reasons for increasing food consumption, factors affecting food supply, Impacts of food insecurity, Overview of strategies to increase food supply, Moving towards a sustainable resource future.	Graphical skills Using data Researching Discussion and debate Extended writing	40 mark paper
Spring 2	Geographical Skills, revision and preparation for paper 3.	Interpreting OS maps, direction, grid references, contours, scale, relating maps to photographs. Pre-Release booklet study (unseen).	OS map skills Researching	40 mark paper
Summer 1	Revision	Revision of paper 1 and 3	Revision skills Memory techniques Exam technique	Exam questions
Summer 2	Revision	Revision of paper 2 and 3	Revision skills Memory techniques Exam technique	GCSE exams