

GCSE 9-1 AQA 8035 GEOGRAPHY COURSE OUTLINE

Geographical Skills are assessed across all 3 papers (Cartography: map & photo; graphs; numeracy; statistics; use of data). Your final grade is 10% on maths and statistical skills and 5% on spelling, punctuation & grammar (SPaG).

| PAPER 1 Living with the PHYSICAL Environment | | Marks |
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| Exam Time: 1 ½ hrs | Section A Question 1: Challenge of NATURAL HAZARDS | |
| 88 marks in total | 1) Natural Hazards 2) Tectonic Hazards 3) Weather Hazards a) Tropical Storms b) UK Extreme Weather | 33 marks |
| Including 3 marks for SPaG | c) Climate Change | |
| 35% of GCSE mark | Section B Question 2: LIVING WORLD | |
| | 1) Ecosystems 2) Tropical Rainforests 3) Hot Deserts | 25 marks |
| | Section C Questions 3-5: Physical LANDSCAPES in the UK | |
| | Qu 3) UK Coastal Landscapes Qu 4) UK River Landscapes | 30 marks (15 each) |
| PAPER 2 Challenges in the HUMAN Environment | | Marks |
| Exam Time: 1 ½ hrs | Section A Question 1: URBAN Issues & Challenges | |
| 88 marks in total | 1) Urban World 2) Urban growth in LIC City 3) Urban Change in UK 4) Urban Sustainability | 33 marks |
| Including 3 marks for SPaG | Section B Question 2: Changing ECONOMIC world | |
| 35% of GCSE mark | 1) Global development gap 2) Reducing the global development gap 3) NEE Rapid Economic development 4) Economic Futures | 30 marks |
| | Section C Questions 3-5: Challenge of RESOURCE MANAGEMENT | |
| | Qu 3) Resource Management (14 marks) Qu 5) Water (11 marks). | 25 marks |
| PAPER 3 Geographical Applications | | Marks |
| Exam Time: 1 ¼ hrs | Section A: Issue Evaluation on Pre-Release material | |
| 76 marks in total | Questions based on pre-released material (12 wks. before exam). Topics on any of the compulsory sections of Paper 1 & 2. Critical thinking & problem solving & Geographical skills. | 37 marks. |
| Including 6 marks for SPaG | Section B: Fieldwork on 2 compulsory human & physical topics | |
| 30% of GCSE marks | (15% of final grade). Fieldwork to include the Enquiry process: | |
| | 1) Identifying suitable question; 2) Select, measure & record data; 3) Process & Present data; 4) Describe, analyse & explain results; 5) Reach conclusions; | 39 marks |
| | 6) Evaluate geographical enquiry | |

Physical Geography

Human Geography

Geographical Application