



# WJEC Eduqas GCSE in Geography – Subject guidance and overview

GCSE Geography aims to enable you as learner to be able to think 'like a geographer' which means you will develop the skills necessary to understand a range enquires in the classroom and in the field in order to develop your understanding of geographical concepts and issues.

# John Flamsteed GCSE Geography Programme of Study

### <u>Year 10:</u>

# Component 1: Investigating Geographical Issues (Themes 1, 2 and 3)

• Structured data response questions. Final part of each question will require an extended response.

Terms	Theme	Key Idea/Topics
Autumn 1	Theme 2 - Changing Environments	2.2 Shaping the landscape – Rivers and river management (14
		hrs) 2.3 Weather and climate (12 hrs)
Autumn 2	Theme 2 - Changing Environments	2.3 Weather and climate (continued)
		2.4 Climate change – cause and effect (10hrs)
	End of term exam work	End of term exam (2 hrs)
Spring 1	<u><b>Theme 1</b></u> – Changing Places-Changing	1.1 Urbanisation in contrasting global cities (16 hrs)
	economies	1.2 Urban and rural processes and change in the UK (15 hrs)
Spring 2	<u>Component 3</u> – Applied Fieldwork	Introduction to key questions, enquiry, methodology and
	Enquiry –(Introduction)	concept for Fieldwork.
	Y10 Exam preparation	Year 10 Exams
Summer 1	<u><b>Theme 3</b></u> – Environmental challenges	3.1 How ecosystems function (10hrs)
	Component 3 – Applied Fieldwork	3.2 Ecosystems under threat (10 hrs)
	Enquiry ( Data gathering fieldwork)	
Summer 2	Theme 3 – Environmental challenges	3.4 Desertification (6 Hrs)
	Component 2 – Problem solving paper	Desertification 2013 paper and Extreme weather DME 2017
		paper

### Component 2: Problem Solving Geography

 This will assess across all themes in the final exam but only theme 2 and 3 covered in Year 10 initially using a variety of structured data response questions.
 Part A – Introduces and issue and sets the geographical content
 Part B – Outlines a range of possible solutions to the issue.
 Part C – Provides an opportunity for candidates to choose a solution and justify your choice in an extended response.

### **Component 3: Applied Fieldwork Enquiry**

Pupils will have the opportunity to undertake fieldwork in contrasting environments in Year 10/11 where application of a variety of methodologies and concepts will be investigated.





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#### Year 11:

# **Component 1: Investigating Geographical Issues (Theme 1,2 and 3)**

• Structured data response questions. Final part of each question will require an extended response.

Terms	Theme	Key Idea/Topic
Autumn 1	<b>Theme 2</b> – Changing Environments Component 3 – Applied fieldwork enquiry – Second visit location -	<ul> <li>2.1 Shaping the landscape – coasts and coastal management (12hrs)</li> <li>Enquiry follow up - ongoing</li> </ul>
Autumn 2	<i>Theme 3</i> – Environmental Challenges Component 3 – Applied fieldwork enquiry	3.3 Water resources and management Fieldwork investigation continued
Spring 1	<b>Theme 1</b> – Changing Places-changing	1.3 A global perspective on development issues (18)
Spring 2	economies Component 2 – Problem Solving Geography – Themes 1, 2 and 3 Component 3 – Fieldwork summary	Use of theme 1, 2 and 3 problem solving papers from WJEC B syllabus and new Eduqas Sams materials.
	Revision – All themes	Theme 1-3 revision and Fieldwork enquiry exam techniques.

# Component 2: Problem Solving Geography

- This will assess across all themes in the final exam 1, 2 and 3 covered in year 10 and 11 using a variety of structured data response questions.
  - Part A Introduces and issue and sets the geographical content
  - Part B Outlines a range of possible solutions to the issue.

**Part C** – Provides an opportunity for candidates to choose a solution and justify your choice in an extended response.

### **Component 3: Applied Fieldwork Enquiry**

Pupils will have the opportunity to undertake fieldwork in two different (contrasting) environments in Years 10 and 11 where application of a variety of methodologies and concepts will be investigated and built upon over the two-year course.