



# GCSE Geography

The study of geography stimulates an interest in and a sense of wonder about the world. It helps to make sense of your complex and dynamically changing surroundings by building on your own knowledge and experiences





# OCR B – GCSE Geography Enquiring Minds Course details and Assessment

## Our Natural World - Paper 1 (35%)

### Global Hazards

Tropical Storms and Droughts  
Tectonic processes and features  
Causes, impacts and management of global hazards

### Changing Climate

Evidence of climate change  
Causes and global impacts of climate change  
Impacts of climate change on the UK

### Distinctive Landscapes

Rivers and Coasts - processes & features  
Causes, impacts & management of flooding & erosion

### *Fieldwork investigation*

### Sustaining Ecosystems

Tropical rainforest features and uses by humans  
Polar region features and uses by humans  
Sustainable management of ecosystems

## People and Society– Paper 2 (35%)

### Urban Futures

The growth and features of urban areas  
Urban problems and their management  
Sustainable living

### *Fieldwork investigation*

### Dynamic Development

Global differences in development  
Obstacles to development in LIDCs  
Development of an LIDC - Zambia

### UK in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

Population change and its impacts  
The changing economy of the UK  
The global influence of the UK

### Resource Reliance

Use of natural resources  
Issues of water and food security  
Management of food security in LIDCs

70% of total GCSE mark is from examinations – Papers 1 & 2  
30% from a Decision Making Exercise and Skills examination – Paper 3



# Geography post 16

Studying GCSE geography will develop a range of transferable skills that will make you a very attractive candidate for both college and university courses. Geography is one of very few subjects in which your degree can be classed as either a BSc or a BA. This can lead you to a wide variety of different employment opportunities.

- Holiday Representative
- Surveying Technician
- Merchant Navy Rating
- Town Planning Support Staff
- Logistics Manager
- GIS Specialist
- Estate Manager
- Town Planner
- Environmental Consultant
- Air Traffic Controller
- Teacher/Lecturer
- Mapping Software Designer
- Countryside/Conservation Manager
- Transport and Logistics Planner
- Cartographer
- Diplomatic Service
- Agricultural Adviser
- Environmental Engineer
- Surveyor (e.g. Geospatial, Rural, Aerial)
- Meteorologist
- Conservation Manager
- Location Analyst
- Hydrologist
- Economic Development Officer



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### Contact details for further information

A detailed version of the OCR B GCSE Geography for Enquiring Minds course content can be found at:

<https://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/gcse/geography-b-geography-for-enquiring-minds-j384-from-2016/>

Please contact Mr Stackhouse – (Head of Humanities) if you have any questions