GCSE GEOGRAPHY



Examination Board: CCEA





Overview

Geography helps you to develop a wide range of vital skills. It covers topics that can lead not only to subject specific careers but furthermore, the knowledge and skills can be successfully applied to other jobs in the modern world. Many of the skills learnt will help your studies in other subjects and will also be of use in later life in the sixth form, college or at work.

What Are These Skills?

- Location finding & spatial awareness
- Statistical understanding
- Diagram, map, graph and model construction
- Data gathering
- Analysis, problem solving and decision making
- Global Information Systems
- Recognition of moral and ethical issues

The following was taken from an article which appeared in the Guardian newspaper: "The evidence and statistics shows that students who study geography through their school lives become some of the most employable people in society."

Geography gives you an insight into the processes and features that make up the environment around us. Having that sort of knowledge opens doors into many careers and, you never know, it may even impress your mates!

Unit	Content	Assessment
1: Understanding Our Natural Word	River Environments What processes produced our local rivers? What shapes them now, and how can we manage them for the benefit of all?	1 Hour 30 Minute Exam
		End of Year 11
		40% of Final Grade
	Coastal Environments Kilkeel's coastline is receding? Why is that, what effect will it have on us and is there anything we can do about it?	
	Changing Weather and Climate Ever wondered how weather forecasters know what storms are ahead or why turning up the heat in your house could affect the lives of polar bears?	
	The Restless Earth We live on a thin, moving shell that covers a fire beneath. How do we survive in a world where even rock can shatter?	

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2: Living in Our World	Population and Migration Your generation are now more likely to live to 100 years old. How will people cope? Engage in an informed understanding as to why people migrate and the global consequences? Changing Urban Areas Is city life all that it is made out to be? How do we cope with increasing city size and what problems do planners face? Contrasts in World Development Can you change the lives of others for the better? What is the development gap and what can all of us do to narrow it? Managing our Environment Is there enough earth to support us all? Picture a future when everything in your house is either reduced, reused or recycled and where renewable energy use is normal.	1 Hour 30 Minute Exam End of Year 12 40% of Final Grade
Unit	Content	Assessment
3: Fieldwork	This involves a day of outdoor work on a local issue	1 Hour Exam 20% of Final Grade

Careers

Air Traffic Controller, Cartographer, Countryside Officer/Ranger, Driver/Chauffeur, Geologist, Highways Engineer, Hydrographic, Surveyor, Land Manager, Landscape, Architect, Oceanographer, Property Developer, Land Surveyor, Tourist Information Officer, Town Planner, Transport Manager, Travel Agent, Weather Forecaster/Meteorologist, Careers in the Armed Services, Civil Engineer, Foreign/Travel Correspondent, Geography Teacher, Navigator, Pilot, Market Researcher, Environmental Health Officer, Careers in Agriculture/Horticulture, Airline Flight Attendant/Cabin Crew, Archaeologist, Ecologist, Zoologist, Botanist, Careers in Airports