

Subject:

# Geography



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GRAMMAR SCHOOL

## KS3 - Year 9 Curriculum Overview

Autumn Term

### Topics being taught

**Paper 1 – Section B: Ecosystems, Tropical Rainforests & Deserts** In this topic you will learn about the different elements of ecosystems and what controls the type of biome being experienced. You will also learn about the characteristics of the climate in detail for both tropical rainforests and deserts and how vegetation and animals adapt to survive in these areas.

**Paper 2 – Section C: Resource Management** In this topic you will learn about the significance of food, water and energy to economic and social well-being on both a global scale and in the UK.

Term 1

### What you will be assessed on

**SS1** – Relationships within ecosystems (short answer past paper question)  
**SS2** – Ecosystems knowledge, Characteristics of Rainforest & Desert Climates and Vegetation (multiple choice)  
**MS1** – End of topic assessment (past paper questions)

**SS3** – Resource Management Knowledge – Global Trends & UK use of Food, Water & Energy End of topic assessment (multiple choice)

Term 2

### How you can support at home

Purchase a CGP Revision Guide for the AQA GCSE Geography syllabus

Revise carefully for assessments and ask for help when there is something that you don't understand.

Complete homework the evening that it is set so that if you are stuck you can ask for help **before** the deadline!

Independent Research  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z2tqwx>

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Spring Term

### Topics being taught

**Paper 1 – Section A: Natural Hazards** In this section students will learn about the cause, distribution and impacts of the following types of natural hazard – earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, tropical revolving storms and climate change.

**Paper 2 – Section B: Changing Economic World** In this section students will learn how development is measured, why different levels of development exist and how we can try and reduce the development gap.

Term 3

### What you will be assessed on

**SS4** – Natural Hazards Knowledge – End of topic assessment (multiple choice)  
**MS2** – Synoptic Assessment covering elements from all topics covered so far (past paper questions)

**SS5** – Changing Economic World Knowledge – End of topic assessment (multiple choice)

Term 4

### How you can support at home

Independent Research  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zcdrbk7>

Self Assessment Tools  
<https://www.internetgeography.net/geography-quizzes/>

Independent Research  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zwf92p3/revision/1>

Using Cool Geography to support learning [https://www.coolgeography.co.uk/gcsen/economic\\_world.php](https://www.coolgeography.co.uk/gcsen/economic_world.php)

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Summer Term

### Topics being taught

**Paper 1 – Section C: UK Physical Landscapes** In this section students will learn about the processes that shape the physical landscapes in the UK such as types of erosion and transport and the reasons for deposition in both fluvial and coastal landscapes. Following this students will learn about the features of erosion and deposition and how they are created.

**Paper 2 – Section A: Urban Challenges** In this section students will learn about the causes of urbanisation and how the patterns of urbanisation vary around the world. They will also learn about what a mega city is and why they are important.

Term 5

### What you will be assessed on

**SS6** – UK Physical Landscapes Knowledge of processes & landforms for coastal and river environments – End of topic assessment (multiple choice)

**MS3** – End of Year Assessment - Synoptic assessment covering all topics covered this academic year (past paper questions)

Term 6

### How you can support at home

Time For Geography – Knowledge Booster Videos [https://timeforgeography.co.uk/videos\\_list/coasts/](https://timeforgeography.co.uk/videos_list/coasts/)

Independent Research  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zy3ptyc>

Using Cool Geography  
[https://www.coolgeography.co.uk/gcsen/physical\\_landscapes.php](https://www.coolgeography.co.uk/gcsen/physical_landscapes.php)

Past Paper Question Practice [https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/geography/gcse/geography-8035/assessment-resources?f.Resource+type%7C6=Question+papers&sort=title&num\\_ranks=10](https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/geography/gcse/geography-8035/assessment-resources?f.Resource+type%7C6=Question+papers&sort=title&num_ranks=10)