Y11 Parents' Evening – Geography GCSE Information Sheet

AQA GCSE: Geography Specification: https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/geography/gcse/geography-8035

Examination Information:

For summer 2022 only, GCSE Geography students will be given a choice to either answer questions on Unit 2C Resource Management or to answer questions on Unit 2B Changing Economic World. We have advised students to choose Unit 2C and will be examining this unit in the forthcoming Y11 mock examinations.

GCSE Geography students won't need to complete two occasions of fieldwork and will not be expected to answer questions relating to their own fieldwork experience (Question 5 will be removed from 8035/3 Paper 3: Geographical applications). For summer 2022, the length of the 8035/3 Paper 3: Geographical applications paper will therefore be reduced in length, and Paper 3 will only feature the Issue Evaluation in Section A and questions relating to unfamiliar fieldwork in Section B. Students will still need to understand the fieldwork enquiry process, and be able to apply this understanding in unfamiliar scenarios.

The topics listed below will be tested across two Y11 mock exams. The topics for Paper 1 & Paper 3 will be combined into a one-hour exam. Paper 2 topics will be in a separate 40-minute exam. The final exams in the summer will be on three separate occasions and will include units we are still yet to cover in lessons.

Paper 1: Physical Geography

- Unit 1A Tectonic Hazards Earthquakes (not volcanoes)
 - o HIC earthquake example: Italy, 2016
 - o LIC / NEE earthquake example: Nepal, 2015
- Unit 1A Weather Hazards & Climate Change:
 - o UK extreme weather event example: Somerset winter storms, 2013-14
 - o Tropical storm example: Typhoon Haiyan, Philippines, 2013
- Unit 1B The Living World: UK, Rainforests, Cold Environment
 - o Small scale UK ecosystem example: the grounds at Lady Manners School
 - o Tropical rainforest: East Malaysia
 - Cold environment: The Arctic
- Unit 1C Physical Landscapes in the UK: River landscapes
 - Major landforms along a UK river example: <u>River Tees</u>
 - o UK flood management scheme example: Flood management at the Somerset levels

Paper 2: Human Geography

- Unit 2A Urban Issues and Challenges
 - Major LIC / NEE city: Lagos (case study = several pages in exercise book)
 - o Major LIC / NEE city urban planning for the poor example: Makoko
 - Major UK city: Sheffield (case study = several pages in exercise book)
 - o Major UK city urban regeneration project example: Kelham Island
- Unit 2C Resource Management:
 - Large scale agricultural development example: <u>Almeria (Spain)</u>
 - o LIC / NEE local sustainable food scheme: Rice-fish culture in Jamalpur (Bangladesh)

Paper 3: Geographical applications

- Section B. Fieldwork. Explain, Justify or Evaluate any of these six stages of fieldwork:
 - a) Selecting a question; b) Collecting data; c) Presenting data;
 - d) Analysing results; e) Conclusions; f) Evaluation

How you can support your child:

A quiet space to work and a regular routine for completing homework and revision are highly recommended. Reading through the feedback given for work submitted via Class Charts and using the comments to improve each piece of work will also accelerate progress.

In order to achieve the best possible overall grade for their Geography GCSE we strongly recommend that students get into the habit of regular revision from now onwards if they are not already doing so. We have given some homework time and lesson time for Revision. The time could be spent revising from the Examples booklet we have given all students, learning key words using the lists on Quizlet (see below) or applications like Seneca and using the revision resources and lesson folders on Myvle for each unit.

Key Websites:

<u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zy3ptyc</u> - BBC Bitesize, AQA GCSE Geography https://quizlet.com/en-gb - Quizlet - Search 'AQA GCSE Geography LMS' for lists we have compiled for each unit

https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/

www.thenational.academy - Oak Academy, a national academy of online lessons

Myvle:

All lessons and resources are available to students on Myvle – 2021-22 Geography Y11. It is important that if students are away from school that they catch up on the lessons that they have missed. Each lesson PPT is numbered, so students can easily see where they are up to using their books.

If you have any queries at any time please do not hesitate to contact the Geography Department via the school email.