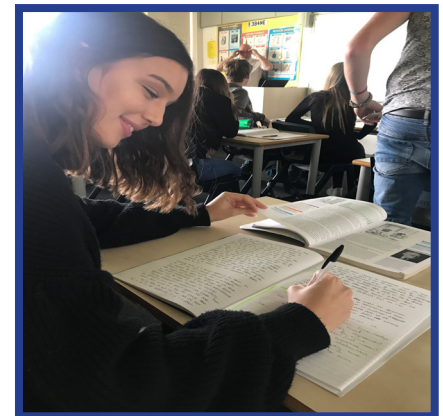


# Geography A-level AQA Exam Board



## Why Study Geography?

The course is made up of an engaging and contemporary issues-based approach. The course offers an issues-based approach to studying geography, enabling students to explore and evaluate contemporary geographical questions and issues such as the consequences of globalisation, responses to hazards, water insecurity and climate change. It supports progression to undergraduate level geography. The course content gives students the opportunity to develop an in-depth understanding of physical and human geography, the complexity of people and environment questions and issues, and to become critical, reflective and independent learners. It has a straightforward and flexible content and structure. This course has four equally-weighted content areas of study, offering both compulsory and optional content, assessed through three external assessments and one piece of non-examination assessment.



## Assessment Structure

**Paper 1:** 30% 2 Hours 15 mins written exam  
105 marks

Section A: Students must answer all questions.  
Section B: Students answer either Question 2 or Question 3  
Section C: Students must answer all questions.

**Paper Two:** 30% 2 Hours 15 mins written exam  
105 marks

Section A: Students must answer all questions.  
Section B: Students must answer all questions.  
Section C: Students answer either Question 3 or Question 4  
Section D: Students answer either Question 5 or Question 6

**Paper 3:** 20% 2 Hours 15 mins Written Exam  
70 Marks  
Students must answer all questions.

**Independent Investigation 20% 70 Marks Non-examined assessment**

## Possible Career Pathways:

- Cartographer
- Environmental Consultant
- Commercial/Residential Surveyor
- Geographical Information Systems Officer
- Environmental Officer
- Planning & Development Surveyor
- Teacher
- Town Planner
- Public Services
- Public Utilities

## Advised Entry Requirements:

Grade 5 at GCSE Geography.  
A Grade 5 at English, if Geography has not been studied at GCSE.

### Specification Link

<https://qualifications.pearson.com/content/dam/pdf/A%20Level/Geography/2016/specification-and-sample-assessments/Pearson-Edexcel-GCE-A-level-Geography-specification-issue-2-FINAL.pdf>