



St John's Curriculum Overview – Year 13



Subject title	Geography
Setting arrangements	Mixed prior attainment
Time allowance each fortnight	9 lessons per fortnight

Introduction

Students follow the AQA A-Level Geography syllabus. The curriculum is split into Human and Physical Geography. Students will have two teachers to deliver the different sides of the course. Assessment takes the form of two exams at the end of the course and the completion of a 3000-4000-word individual investigation which is worth 20%.

Topics, Skills and Assessment covered during the course

	Human Geography	Physical Geography	Skills developed	Assessment
Term 1	Changing Places	Water and Carbon Cycles	Numerous skills are honed during the completion of the A-Level Geography course. Of note is the 3000-4000 individual investigation (Worth 20% of A-Level). Students will complete and submit this in Year 13. Skills honed include – data collection, sampling, risk assessment, data presentation, data analysis (Including statistics) and evaluation.	Regular exam practice and end of unit assessments will be utilised. A mock exam occurs in term 4 which will test elements from both physical and human geography.
Terms 2-4	Global Systems and Global Governance	Hazards		
Term 5	Revision and exam practice		Exam technique Data analysis and interpretation Extended writing Understanding and recall	Exam practice with detailed feedback from teachers

Resources Recommended for Revision and where they are available:

CGP AQA Geography A-Level Revision guide available from the library

Homework

Students are expected to read around the subject and complete their own research. Homework will be set by class teachers. Revision for end of unit tests and external exams is absolutely crucial.

Additional support and help for the course

Lunch time and after school support sessions are utilised at key assessment points. These will also be available in advance of the final / external examinations.

Extra-Curricular: All A-Level students have to complete four days of fieldwork. Current provision includes a 3-day residential field trip to Nettlecombe FSC in Exmoor (This includes a trip to Bristol en route). A subsequent daytrip to Urchfont and Swindon completes the fieldwork requirement.