



Key Stage 4 Curriculum Map - Geography

Year 10 Curriculum Map		Halfterm1	Halfterm2	Halfterm3	Halfterm4	Halfterm5	Halfterm6
4 hrs per fortnight	Curriculum Content inc Knowledge, Skills & Cultural Capital	Paper 3: People & Biosphere and Forests Under Threat – Students will learn about the different factors that affect the distribution of global biomes before focussing on the Tropical Rainforest (TRF) & Taiga biomes. They will explore the direct & indirect threats to each ecosystem before learning about how we can sustainably manage each one.	Paper 3: Consuming Energy Resources – Students will learn about the global distribution of oil reserves and how international relations can influence the costs of natural resources. We will explore the alternatives to fossil fuels. Students will apply all of their Paper 3 learning to a decision-making paper where they will need to make a decision about an energy issue within either the TRF or Taiga.	Paper 2: Human Landscapes in the UK – Students will explore the reasons for inequalities within the UK & how the government are introducing strategies to reduce the gap between the rich north & poor south.	Paper 2: Human Landscapes – UK Dynamic City – Students will investigate Birmingham as a dynamic city within the UK. We will explore the challenges & opportunities Birmingham face as well as how regeneration as impacted the city. We finish by exploring how the city is interdependent with it's rural fringe.	Paper 2: Physical Landscapes – Coasts – Students will explore the UK coastline looking at the natural processes which take place and the formations they create. We will explore the issues surrounding coastal management & why it is a controversial issue.	
	Assessment	Students will be assessed through end of topic assessments. Assessments will contain questions from the current topic as well as previous learning in line with the Paper being assessed at GCSE. Low stakes tests are conducted every lesson through Do Now activities. Students will also have lots of opportunities to peer/self-assess their work. Students will also complete mock exams in line with whole school mock exam week(s).					
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